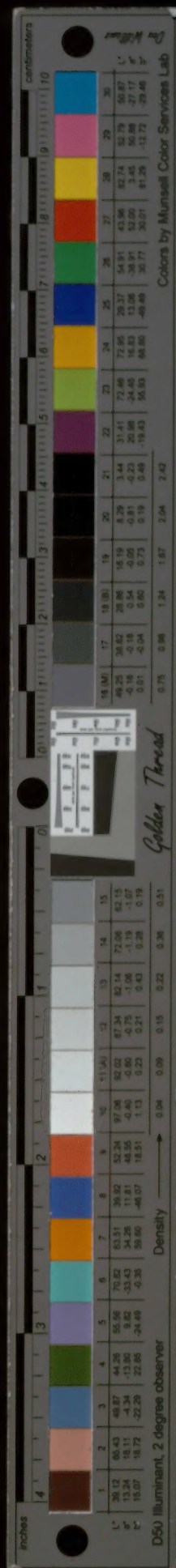
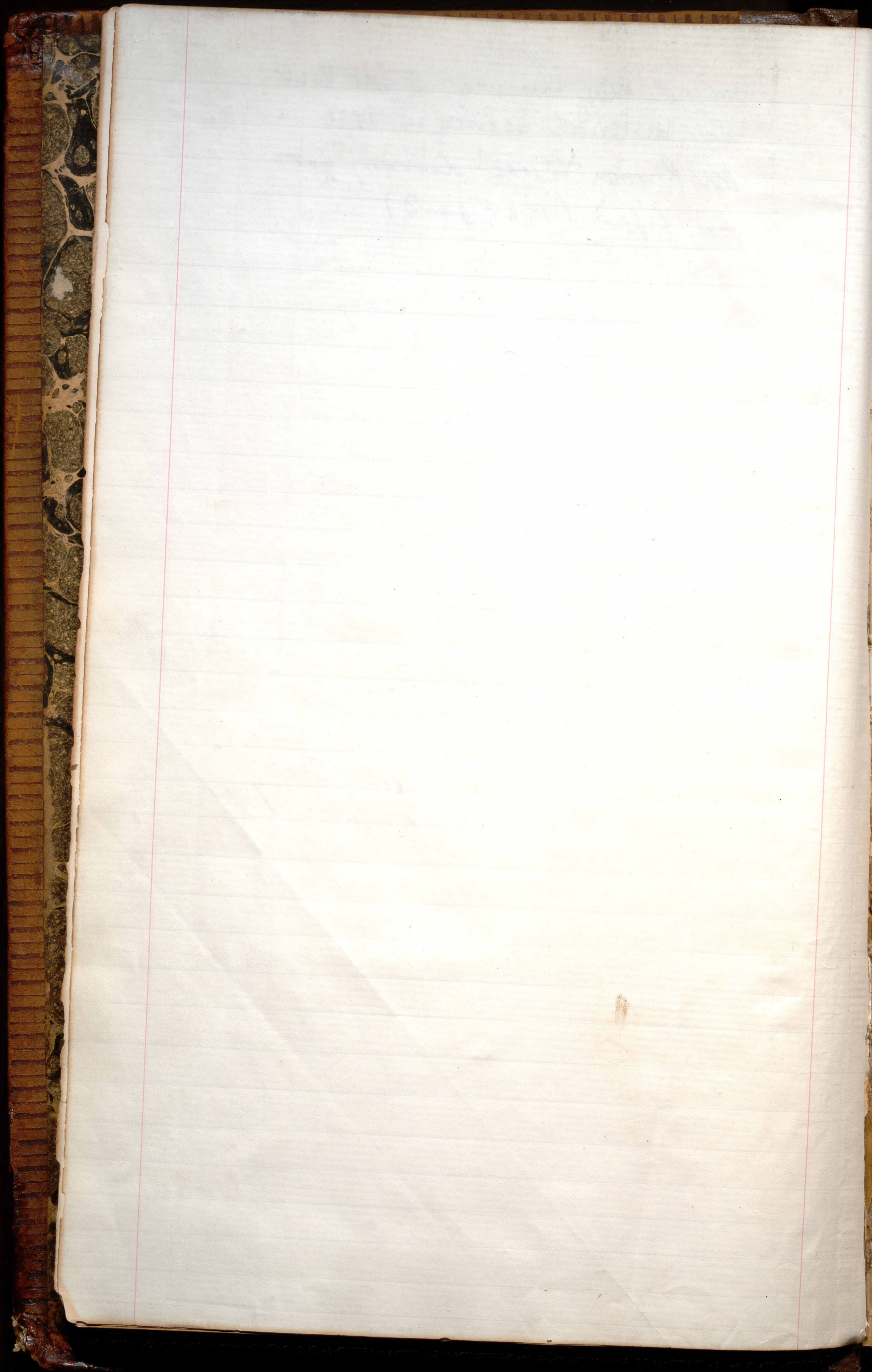


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Am. Weekly Mercury 5 vols lent
the Historical Society in 1880
Mr Prime to use library for
his life (1884 Jan 3)





At a meeting of the Directors October 7th 1875

Present:

Messrs. Lewis

Gramond

McCall

Wister

Newbold

Wharton

Lea

Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

William Henry Raude Esq. was unanimously elected Secretary of the Board in place of Mr. E. Whitman, deceased.

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

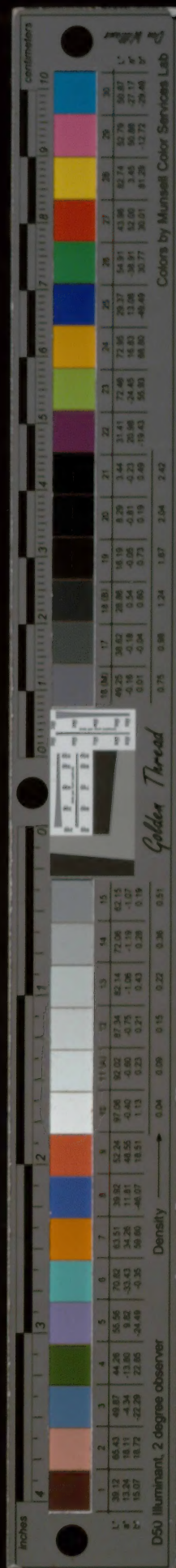
Library Company	\$2,633.67
Loganian Library	633.44
Building Fund	3,255.71

The following transfers were approved:

Ex ^o Richard Morris dec ^d	to	Charles B. Drum
Ellis Hamall	"	Augusta J. Shippen
Edward Shippen	"	Harriet A. Shippen
W. E. Littleton	"	John Hockley Jr.
Adm ^t J. E. Payn	"	Anna R. Scott
Ex ^o Eliza H. Dick	"	John H. Valentine
Ex ^o Ben. Gerhard	"	John S. Gerhard

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

Trans. College of Physicians	from	The College
Coe's Hippocrates Galen	"	Dr. A. L. Elwyn
Trans. Am. Association	"	do
Pa. Legislative Doc's 9 vols.	"	The Legislature
Hygiene U. S. Army	"	Secy. of War
Ritchie on the Broad Church	"	Rev. Dr. Cunningham
Gas Bitter's Guide	"	J. D. Galloway
Bible Commentary	"	R. C. Clark
Nautical Almanac 1876	"	Secy. of Navy



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Report on Alaska	from	Secy. of Interior
Photo's City Building	"	Sam'l. C. Perkins
Stobley's Message	"	Mayor of Philad ^a
Bernard Annuaire 2 vols	"	Mr. Poltz
Bryant on Irving	"	James Ristine

At a meeting of the Directors November 4th 1875
Present,

Messrs. Willing
Lewis
Wharton
Biddle
Lea

Newbold
Buckley
Mitchell

Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Secretary reported that the Administrator of William E. Whitman dec^d. had handed over to him the Bonds of the Librarian and Treasurer.

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

Library Company	\$4,256.67
Loganian Library	933.44
Building Fund	3,435.71
In London	£.78..1..6

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer:

No. 404.	Librarian's salary 3 mos	\$450.	
	Treasurer's " "	50.	
	Assistants " "	287.50	787.50
" 405.	Drexel No. Exchange £200.	1,117.44	
	J. L. Smith Brooks	83.10	
	D. Agnew "	.78	
	J. M. Ellis "	2.40	
	J. H. Stephens "	.50	
	Deutschen Pioneer "	2.-	
	Little Brown No "	5.-	1,211.22

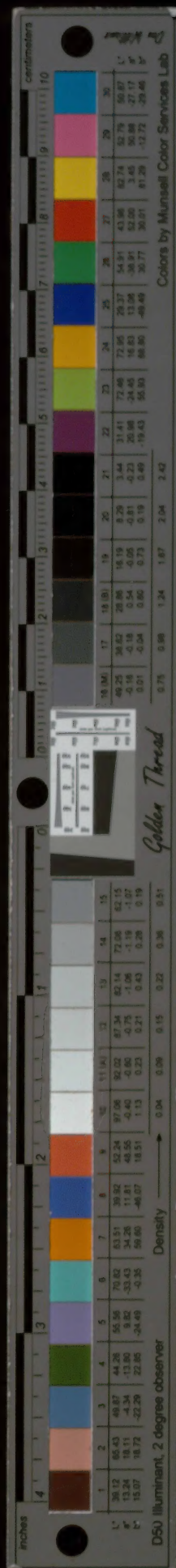
No. 406.	Allen, L. & S.	Books	\$.50	
	Banker's Mag.	"	5. -	
	Strafer & Stradi	"	2.50	
	J. B. Newcomb	"	4.40	
	Jno. Jordan Jr.	"	3.75	
	Callender No	"	28. -	
	Harvard University	"	30.80	
	J. D. Rupp	"	2.50	\$77.45
" 407.	Evening Bulletin	Advg.	26.64	
	Inquirer	"	8.12	
	M. M. Michael	"	12.15	
	C. Williams No	Repairs	2.75	
	Ed. S. Pierce	"	1. -	50.66

The following transfers were approved.

William Pearsall	to	Agnes Irwin
Adm ^r of Mary R. Fisher		Mary Read Fisher
Ex ^r of C. S. Longstroth		Anne Longstroth

The following presents were reported to have been received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

Journal of Councils 6 vols.	from	City Councils
3 Reports Chief Signal Officer	"	Gen. A. J. Meyer
2 Reports Smithsonian Institute	"	The Institution
Opinions of the Judge Advocate	"	Secy. of War
Proceedings Mass. Hist. Society	"	The Secretary of the Society
Transactions College of Physicians	"	The Secretary
2 Map of Pennsylvania	"	Historical Society
Report Water Supply of Phil ^a	"	The Commission
Wesley's address and answer	"	C. H. Bavender
Exploration Colorado River	"	Secy. of War
Cholera Epidemic Report	"	" " "
Penna. Railroad Guide	"	The Company
Frays Gerundio 2 vols.	"	George Read



Presents to Loganian Library

Das Bibelungeschied	from	Francis C. Macaulay
Scriptures Cristiani 2 vols	"	"
Santi Vangeli	"	"
Manuale Officiorum	"	"
Catholic Prayer Books 8 vols	"	"

A letter from Robert Coleman Esq. dated from Paris Sept. 15th 1875 to Henry J. Williams Esq. was presented by Mr. Buckley, to whom it had been sent by the latter; and thereupon the Secretary was directed to acknowledge to Mr. Williams the receipt of the letter, to thank him for the same, and to say that the Company will open direct correspondence with Mr. Coleman; and the Librarian was directed to write to Mr. Coleman accordingly.

Henry Rawle Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors December 2nd 1875

Present,

Messrs. Lewis

Wharton

Gramond

Wister

Buckley

Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

Library Company	\$ 2,148.67
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Loganian Library	770.94
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Building Fund	3,585.71
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To credit in London	£. 56. 11. 9
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The following transfers were approved:

Isaac Norris

to

Hannah B. Norris

Ex^r. of Archibald M. Gray

"

William Gerhard

Ex^r. of Samuel Norris

"

Isaac Norris

Joseph H. Dulles

"

Andrew C. Dulles

W^m Brooke Rawle

"

W^m Herbert Norris

W^m Henry Rawle to W^m Brooke Rawle

W^m Herbert Morris " W^m Henry Rawle

The following presents were reported to have been received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Congressional Doc's 50 vols.	from Secy of Interior
" " 9 "	" General Myers
Nederland United Religious	" R. C. Clark
Catalogues B. Kensington Museum	" R. Cunliffe Owen
Young in Labor in Europe	" Thomas H. Porter
Mr. Case's Methodist Episcopacy	" Mr. Cantrick
Pub ^l Hydrographic Office 2 vols.	" Commodore Wyman
A Quaker among the Indians	" R. C. Cadbury
College Grant 3 vols.	" John C. White

The Secretary reported the following letter as having been sent to Henry J. Williams Esq. according to the instructions given at the last meeting.

Library Co. of Philad^a
Fifth Street below Chestnut
Philadelphia Nov. 5, 1875

Dear Sir,

The Library Company received the note of Mr. Robert Coleman which you were so kind as to send them through Mr. Buckley, and at their meeting last evening directed me to thank you for doing so, and to say that they would communicate directly with Mr. Coleman, so as to save you further trouble.

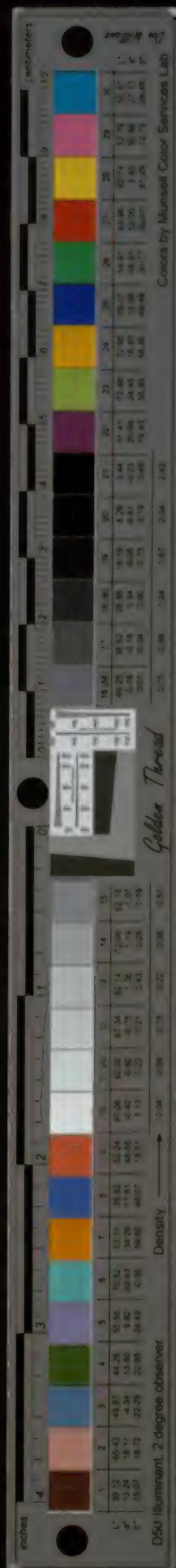
They are in the hope that Mr. Coleman's liberal suggestion may prove of future service to the Library.

I remain Very Respectfully

W^m Henry Rawle
Secretary

Henry J. Williams Esq:

The Librarian also reported the following letter as having been sent to Robert Coleman Esq. in accordance with the



Said instructions.

Library Co. of Philad^a.
Sixth Street below Chestnut
Philadelphia November 30th 1875

Dear Sir

Mr. Williams the Executor of the late Dr. Rush has very kindly communicated to the Directors of the Library Company of Philadelphia, his principal legatees, your letter of the 15th September, and I have been instructed by them to acknowledge its receipt, and to thank you for the generous and considerate offer which it contains.

The actual resources of the Library Company are not large. No part of the munificent bequest to them by Dr. Rush can be used in buying books, it is understood, before the completion of the Building which Mr. Williams is now engaged in erecting, which may not be for a year or more. In the meantime the Directors could employ out of their own funds only an insignificant sum, not exceeding a thousand francs a year, in the purchase of foreign literature. While therefore they would gladly avail themselves of your valuable services in selecting such books in Paris and on the Continent, they must regret the limited extent to which they can now do so. Should you nevertheless, consider your liberal tender of those services as extending to them, they beg that you will so inform me, and I will then at once indicate the character of books most required, and the means of sending them at the least expense. In any event they desire me to convey to you the assurance of the high appreciation of the offer which you have made for the benefit of their City in furtherance of the purposes of Dr. Rush.

I remain Very Respectfully

Elizabeth P. Smith

Librarian

Robert Coleman Esq.

29 Rue Chateaubriand - Paris

91. Copy to be made of this letter to the Library Co.
of Philadelphia

Wm. Henry Pauls, Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors January 6th 1876.

Present

Messrs. Willing

Biddle

Ware

Wister

Wheaton

Mitchell

Diamond

Secretary & Treasurers

The Report of the Treasurer was presented showing the following balances in his hands viz-

Library Company \$2,365.67

Loganian Library 783.82

Building Fund 3,679.15

In London £11.16.3

The application of the Executor of the Estate of William Cadwalader deceased for a restoration of his forfeited share upon payment of past dues, was granted - Share forfeited May 1874 - dues \$31.34

The application of Dr. John W. Brinton for duplicate copies of works not needed by the Library Company for the Hospital of the Almshouse, was referred to the Librarian with directions to furnish fifty copies of duplicates.

The following transfers were approved:

Paul J. Davis	to	Hettie W. Davis
Ex. of Jesse R. Burden	"	Harry C. Hart M. D.
Adm. of Sarah Dallett	"	Thomas W. Dallett
Ex. of Walter B. Smith	"	Margaret R. Smith
Ex. of Eliza B. Binney	"	Elizabeth C. Binney
Susan S. Morris	"	James M. Hall
W. H. Hooper	"	E. B. Warren
C. Lurvey Poulson	"	Thomas Kirk

The following presents were reported to have been received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

Lovington's Enthusiasm of Methodists from C. H. Carpenter

Pa. Legislative Doc 760b " H. B. Jones

Espe's Vertebrata	from	Dep't. of Interior
Sappho	"	The Author, Estelle A. Louis
Proceedings Bunker Hill Ass'n	"	The Association
Events of the Mediterranean	"	The Bureau of Navigation

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the account between this Institution and the Loggia Library reported a balance due the Library Company of \$703.47

The Librarian reported the following reply from Robert Coleman Esq. to his letter of November 30, 1875

Cannes - Alpes Maritimes - France
16th December 1875

Lloyd S. Smith Esq.

Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your obliging letter of 30th November, for which please accept my thanks.

I have been obliged to pass the winter in this place owing to the illness of my eldest son, but any letters are regularly forwarded to me from No. 29 - Rue Chateaubriand, my residence in Paris.

I shall be most happy to attend to your desires in selecting books on the Continent or in England even, where I have correspondents, quite indifferent about the smallness of the expenditure, my only desire being to render service to an institution in whose prosperity I feel much interested.

You may rely upon my attending very scrupulously to all your directions, and will, if you so desire it, try to write for your information (on my return to Paris) a collection of publisher's catalogues &c. which may be useful to you in guiding your choice of works.

Most truly Yours &c.

Robert Coleman

Wm Henry Rawley
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors February 3rd 1876

Present

Messrs. McCall
Whitins
Ware
Riddle

Wister
Buckley
Mitchell

Secretary's Treasurer.

The report of the Treasurer was presented showing the following balances in his hands viz.

Library Company	\$3,040.67
Loganian Library	788.82
Building Fund	5,215.24
In London (due E. G. Allen)	£ 111.13.5

The following transfers were approved:

Adm ^r of B. H. Smith	to	Isaac Myers
Dr. George Martin	"	Eliza L. Taylor
Ex ^r of Eliza R. Fisher	"	Bessie W. Kane

The following presents were reported to have been received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

For Library Co.

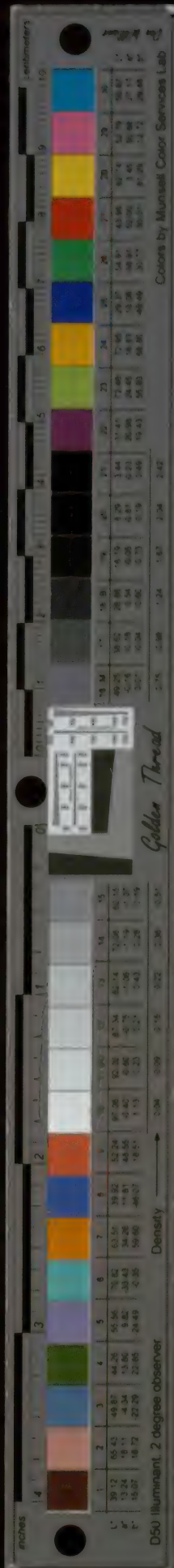
Report Chief of Engineers	from	Gen. Humphreys U. S. A.
Commentaries &c. 9 vols.	"	R. G. Clark
Trays Sketch of Adj ^t . Gen's Dept.	"	The Author
Army Register for 1876	"	Secy. of War

For Loganian Lib^y:-

Liturgia Allemania 3 vols	from	Francis C. Macaulay
Explicatio Missæ 2 vols	"	do
Schola Stenographica	"	do
Liturgia Gallica	"	do

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer:

No. 408. Librarian Salary 3mo	\$1150.-
Treasurer's " "	50.
Assistants " "	<u>287.50</u> \$787.50



No. 409.	Claxton, R. & H.	Books	\$528.28	
	Prince Society	"	24.-	
	Gebbie & Barry	"	2.-	
	N.Y. Genealogical Record	"	2.-	
	Journal Speculative Philosophy	"	3.-	
	Allen, Lane & Scott	"	2.50	
	T. M. Ellis	"	2.80	\$564.58
" 1110.	J. Pennington & Son	Books	\$5.50	
	Porter & Coates	"	107.21	
	Henry C. Baird	"	4.-	
	J. B. Lippincott & Co	"	272.16	
	Benjamin Bauer	"	14.76	
	Strafer & Herold	"	13.-	
	N. American	"	5.-	421.63
" 1411.	J. H. Collins -	Printing	\$79.61	
	Moss & Co	Stationery	6.40	
	Parson & Nicholson -	Binding	351.10	
	R. T. Bancroft	Repairs	3.-	
	R. J. Brown	"	13.92	
	R. W. Pease & Son	"	1.-	
	Henry Stone	"	6.35	
	Collins West	"	11.-	472.38

Messrs. Bidell, Wister & Buckley were appointed a Committee to consider, whether in view of the approaching Centennial it is expedient to procure a new flag to be used on that occasion.

Wm Henry Ryple
Secretary

At a meeting of the directors March 2nd 1876.

Present

Messrs. Wharton

Biddle

Lee

Newbold

Wistar

Buckley

Mitchell

Secretary & Treasurer

The report of the Treasurer was presented showing the following balances in his hands - viz -

Library Company

\$897.67

Sugarman Library

520.97

Building Fund

5,722.44

due E. H. Allen in London

£. 74.2.9

The following transfers were approved:

Ex^t of John Elwyn

to

Alfred Elwyn

Ex^t of Hannah M. Wharton

"

Edward L. Binley

Adm^t of George W. Farnum

"

Howard Van Court

Richard Ashhurst

"

James A. M^cCre

James A. M^cCre

"

Richard Ashhurst

Adm^t of David Lapsley

"

H. H. Wheeler

The following presents were reported to have been received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

Monumentos Architecturales de España 3 vols from Richard S. Macon

Flags of Maritime Nations

"

Secy of the Navy

Helfferstein's Antiqua Grammar

"

R. C. Clark

Auditor's Report of Ohio

"

The Governor

Report on Internal Affairs of Pa.

"

Hon. W^m M^c Candless

Report of Mass. State Charities

"

The Board

Miller on Christian Doctrine

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R. C. Clark

Reports Dep^t of Interior

"

Secy of the Interior

Vignettes & Portraits

"

" " " Treasury

Astronomical Observations for 1873

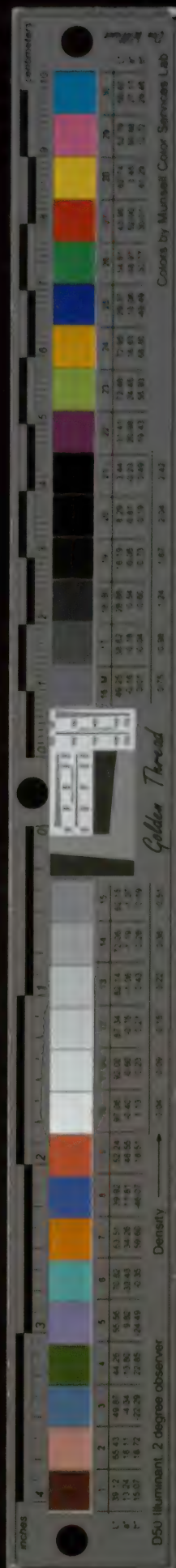
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Admiral Sands U. S. N.

Patent Office Report for 1870

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The Commissioner



Penna. Archives 2 ^d Series Vol. 3.	from	Penna. Legislature
Modern Naturalist	"	R. C. Clark
Deni Tropical California	"	Municipality of Los Angeles
Dallin's Experimentation on Animals	"	J. Weir Mitchell

Messrs. Wharton, Bidelle & Lea were appointed a Committee to consider the subject of a new catalogue.

Wm Henry Rawls
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors April 6, 1876

Present

Messrs. Bramond
Mc Call
Wharton
Hare

Bidelle
Lea
Wister
Buckley

Treasurer -

The report of the Treasurer was presented showing the following balances in his hands - viz -

Library Company	\$1,718.67
Loganian Library	120.02
Building Fund	5,762.44
Due R. G. Allen in London	£129.14.7

The following transfers were approved:

Ex ^t of Alfred Cope	to	Edward A. Cope
Ex ^t of Chas. M. Dupuy		Charles M. Dupuy
Ex ^t of W ^m H. Emery		J. Morris Emery
Eliz th W. Eldridge		Chas. S. Riche
Frederick S. Mason		Edward S. Hartman

The following presents were reported to have been received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Report of Chief of Ordnance	from	- Secy. of War
Patent Office Report	"	Commissioner

Raymonds Mineral Resources	from Hon. John Robbins
Irrigation in California	do
15 vols. Theological Works	R. C. Clarke
Palmedes	M. M. Schwaab
Report of City Trusts	The Board
Vondels Poety	M. M. Schwaab
Friends Miscellany 11 vols.	C. C. Cresson
Report 2 nd Church Congress	James S. Riddle
Memorial Tribute to	Hon. John Robbins
6 vols. Pub. Doc's	do

An application was presented for the lease of a lot on the Co's property on Juniper Street, for the erection of a building to store Theatre scenery in. Messrs. Wharton, Crammel & Buckley were appointed a Committee on the subject, with power to act.

Messrs. Wharton & Riddle were appointed a Committee to examine the Treasurer's and Librarian's accounts.

The Committee on a new Catalogue made the following Report:

The Committee appointed to consider the subject of Catalogue of the Library reports:

In the year 1856 the 3rd volume of a printed Catalogue was published, to which was appended a business index of over two pages embracing all the printed volumes.

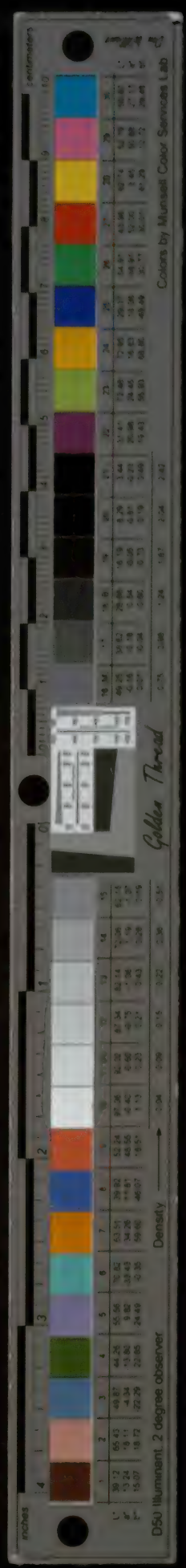
Since that time there have been added to the Library about 19,000 works, making, as nearly as can be estimated, 31,000 volumes.

Of these there is no Catalogue, except upon manuscript slip kept in the Office of the Librarian for the use of himself and his assistants.

Reference to the slip by members can only be had at great inconvenience to members and to the Librarian.

The Committee has made an approximate estimate of the cost of printing an additional volume to include all accessions since 1856.

The number of Titles of the 19,000 works is increased by copying cross references, to about 70,000. The cost of 1,000 copies of a 14th volume,



prepared upon exactly the same principles as the last, would be about \$7,000.

The Committee does not recommend such an expenditure, as (1) the means are not in hand and could only be obtained by an assessment upon the shares. (2) Such an assessment would be injudicious, as the work does not seem to be desired by the members. This is shown by the fact that of 1000 copies of the 3^d volume printed by the Board only 250 copies have been purchased. Moreover it is to be considered that such a printed Catalogue falls, of necessity, immediately in arrears, owing to first accession of books.

The other plan which suggests itself is that which is now adopted in all the large Libraries of the Country; namely, a Card Catalogue, with copious cross references, accessible to all members and readers of the Library.

The principle upon which such a Catalogue is framed is precisely the same as that of the slips already in use by our Librarian. To prepare a Card Catalogue it needs only to copy the 70,000 slips we now have, and to add cards for every new work at the time of its receipt. The great advantage of such a Catalogue, it is obvious, is that it is never behind hand, but shows at all times the entire acquisition of books from the date of the commencement of the Catalogue.

The Committee and the Librarian have consulted the officials of several large public Libraries on this subject and find a general agreement that a Card Catalogue is altogether satisfactory. Availing themselves of information thus obtained as to the minor, though important, mechanical details of preparing the Catalogue, the Committee estimate that the expense would be from \$1000. to \$1500. and recommend that the work be immediately proceeded with.

John S. Biddle

Henry C. Lea

Henry Norton

April 6, 1876

The Report of the Committee was adopted, & the Committee was continued, with power to carry out their plans, at an expense of not over \$1500.

The Committee on the purchase of a flag reported against

15.
Such purchase, the present stay of the Company being considered
sufficient.

The Committee were discharged.

Wm. L. P. Smith

At a meeting of the Directors April 27th 1876.
Present

Messrs. Wharton

Grand &

Biddle

Secretary & Treasurer.

The Committee to examine the accounts of the Treasurer &
Librarian, report that they have performed their duty, and find the
same correct, showing

A balance due the Building Fund of	\$5,736.11
Library Company	2,522.13
Loganian Library	1,210.32
Librarian	243.36

The following transfers were approved:

M. E. Union Church	to	Benjamin E. Mann
Francis Pearsall	"	Hannah A. Garrigue
Ex ^r of Thomas P. Carpenter	"	Rebecca Carpenter
Ex ^r of Horace Binney	"	Lusan Binney

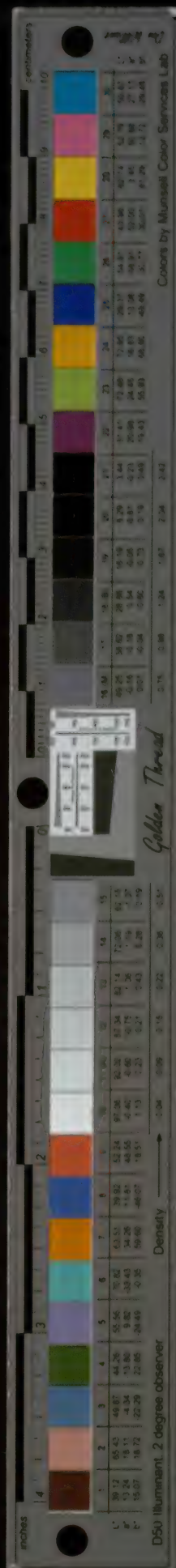
The Committee appointed at the last meeting to ex-
amine the Treasurer's and Librarian's accounts, reported the following
to be the Assets of the Library Company.

No. 1. The original Instrument of Association.

" 2. The Charter granted by John, Thomas, and Richard Penn,
dated 1741.

" 3. The Charter granted by Thomas, Richard and John Penn
dated 1742.

" 4. The Charter granted by Thomas and Richard Penn



to the Union Library: dated 1759.

- No. 5. Deed of Mary Norris to Library Company
- " 6. Deed of George Logan to Library Company
- " 7. A Letter from John Penn and John Penn Jr. assenting to the sale of a lot on the south side of Chestnut St. dated 1790.
- " 8. A Deed of Trust from the Library Company to Josiah Heves, Mordecai Lewis, and Thomas Parke
- " 9. A Declaration of Trust from the same to the Library Company
- " 10. A counterpart Deed - The Library Company to Adam Rush and Samuel M. Fox.
- " 11. Deed Samuel M. Fox and wife to the Library Company.
- " 12. Article of Agreement with Samuel M. Fox respecting the discharge of water.
- " 13. Policy of Insurance No. 8815. Philad^a Contributionship on Building.
- " 14. Bonds of Librarian and Treasurer - with Secretary
- " 15. The Corporate Seal - with Secretary
- " 16. Release of George Logan and wife to the Library Company of a Rent charge.
- " 17. Deed Poll - Jacob Fitter Sheriff to Z. Paulson; and endorsed deed Poll - Z. Paulson to Library Company.
- " 18. Policy of Insurance No. 1.318.986 in Royal Insurance Co's. \$10,000. on Books,
- " 18½ and additional Insurance \$5000. on Books, endorsed on Policy No. 5567. Fire Association - together \$15,000. (Now separate Policy No. 6816.)
- " 19. Policy of Insurance No. 1.721.837 in the Liverpool & London - \$15,000. on Books
- " 20. Rent Charge of \$50. per annum by Dr. Parke - Deed assigned by J. H. Brinton.
- " 21. Rent Charge of \$41.78. assigned by Ex^{rs} of Charles Biddle.
- " 22. Policy of Insurance Phil^a Contributionship No. 7366. for \$2,500. on Law Buildings.

- No. 23. Certificate No. 3230 U. S. Registered 6^{to} 1881 for \$1,000.
- " 24. Policy of Insurance No. 7184. Mutual Co. for \$500. on Building.
- " 25. Policy of Insurance No. 7185 Mutual Co. for \$250. on Low Building.
- " 26. Policy of Insurance No. 444,936 Franklin Insurance Company for \$500. on Books.
- " 27. Certificate No. 1760 6% Loan of State of Pennsylvania for \$500.
Request of C. S. Carlson.
- " 28. Policy of Insurance No. 3161 London Assurance Co. for \$10,000.
on Books.
- " 29. Policy of Insurance No. 6321 for \$10,000 on Books, Imperial Fire Co.
- " 30. Policy of Insurance No. 18,063. Reliance Co. for \$500. on Books.
- " 31. Policy of Insurance North America Co. No. 165,978. for \$5,000. on
Books
- " 32. Policy of Insurance No. 81,594 Delaware Mutual for \$500.
on Books.
- " 33. Certified Copy of Amendment to Charter - 1873. authorizing
an increase of the yearly payment.

April 27, 1876 - Compared with the Securities & found correct.

Bashar Wister }
Jas. D. Biddle } Committee
H. Hammond }

They also reported the following to be the assets of the Building
Fund of the Company.

No. 1.	Certificate No. 3209.	6% <u>Loan U. S.</u> 1881	\$1,000.-
" 2.	" " 3210	" " " "	1,000.-
" 3.	" " 3247	" " " <u>Currency</u>	1,000.-
" 4.	" " 3248	" " " "	1,000.-
" 5.	" " 3249	" " " "	1,000.-
" 6.	" " 3250	" " " "	1,000.-
" 7.	" " 2141	5% " " ¹⁰ / ₄₀	1,000.-
" 8.	" " 5129	6% " " ⁵ / ₂₀ 1885	1,000.-
" 9.	" " 5130	" " " "	1,000.-
" 10.	" " 5131	" " " "	1,000.-



No. 11.	Certificate No. 1278	6% <u>Loan U. S.</u>	5/20 1885	500.-
" 12.	" " 8557	5%	" " 10/40	1,000.-
" 13.	" " 8757	" " "	" " "	1,000.-
" 14.	" " 9633	" " "	" " "	1,000.-
" 15.	" " 2632	" " "	" " "	500.-
" 16.	" " 10,644	" " "	" " "	1,000.-
" 17.	<u>Two Mortgages of \$3000. each - Interest paid by Est. of G. W. Carpenter.</u>			6,000.-
" 18.	Certificate No. 219.	6% <u>Loan Del. Mar.</u>		2,000.-
" 19.	" " 2125	" " "	" " "	300.-
" 20.	" " 325	7%	" " "	50.-
" 21.	" " 13,348	5%	" <u>U. S.</u> 10/40	1,000.-
" 22.	<u>Title Papers to property in Juniper St. bought of John Livezey (in tin box at Pa. Co. for Insurance on Lives).</u>			
" 23.	<u>Title Papers to property N. W. corner of Locust and Juniper - bought of John Rice (in same box)</u>			
" 24.	<u>Brief of Title to above, in a bound volume (in fire Proof at Library - now in same box)</u>			
" 25.	<u>Policies of Insurance on above - viz-</u>			
	No. 993.	Ins. Co. of N. America for		\$4,000.
	" 95	Franklin	"	1,800.
	" 13,839	"	"	300.
	" 665,935	Fire Association	"	1,800.
	" 66596	"	"	1,000.
	" 66597.8	"	"	800.
" 26.	Certificate No. 64	7% <u>Pittsburgh Bonds</u>		1,000.-
" 27.	" " 65	" " "	" " "	1,000.-
" 28.	<u>Bond & Mortgage, Elisha S. Pinckney to Library Co. for</u>			5,000.-
April 27, 1876. Compared with the Securities and found correct, there being no change in the investments since last year.				

Wm. Henry Rawle. Secretary

Barth Wistar
Jas. S. Biddle
H. Hammond

} Committee

At a meeting of the Directors May 1. 1876

Present

Wm. Willing

Levi

McLeese

Wharton

Gramond

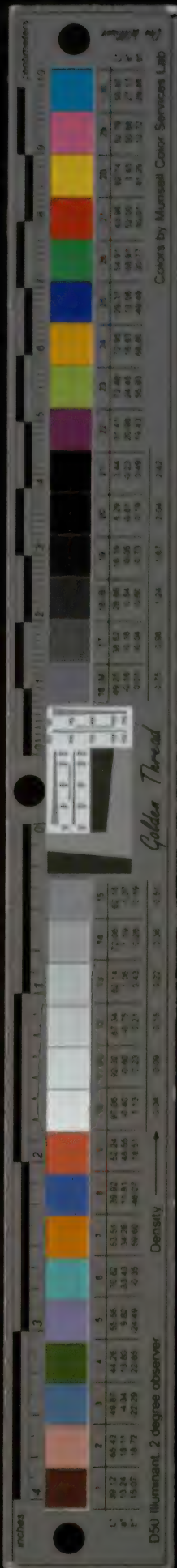
Wister

Secretary Treasurer

The following Report of the Agents of the election for Directors and Treasurer of the Company was presented

At an election held at the Library on Monday the 1st day of May 1876 for a choice of twelve Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia the following persons attended in person or by proxy to give their votes.

- | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 Charles H. Hart | 19 Charles M ^c Creagh |
| 2 William Brooke Rouse | 20 Charles Willing M.D. |
| 3 Lloyd P. Smith | 21 Thomas S. Stanbridge |
| 4 Robert J. Samson | 22 Thomas M ^c Clellan |
| 5 Charles A. Day | 23 S. Kingston McKay |
| 6 S. F. Corlies | 24 Samuel Wilcox |
| 7 Charles Norris | 25 Robert P. Merton |
| 8 Henry Gramond | 26 Samuel L. Stober |
| 9 Casper Wister | 27 Edward E. Law |
| 10 James S. Biddle | 28 J. Ross Snowden |
| 11 William Duane | 29 George W. Carpenter |
| 12 J. M. Power Wallace | 30 William L. M ^c Fadden |
| 13. Anthony Stocker M.D. | 31 John S. Martin |
| 14 Charles S. Pancoast | 32 S. Little M.D. |
| 15 Charles W. Robinson | 33 Louis C. Madeira |
| 16 William L. Mactier | 34 Dr. Hewston Bucke |
| 17 George M. Abbott | 35 Edward Redlock |
| 18 J. D. Sergeant | 36 Edward Kopper |



- 37 J. M. Douglass
 38 B. Dalton Dorr
 39 Samuel A. Bispham
 40 Isaac Myer

41. Arthur Howell
 42. H. N. Burroughs
 43. C. Willing Littel

Directors

Charles Willing	43	votes
David Lewis	43	"
J. I. Clark Hare	43	"
Peter McCall	43	"
Henry Wharton	43	"
Henry Cramond	43	"
James S. Riddle	43	"
Henry C. Lea	43	"
John S. Newbold	43	"
Caspar Wister	43	"
Edward S. Buckley	43	"
S. Weir Mitchell	43	"

Treasurer

Lloyd P. Smith	43
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We the subscribers testify that the above is a true statement of the Election of Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia held on Monday the 1st day of May 1876 agreeably to the Charter and Laws of the said Company and that Charles Willing, David Lewis, J. I. Clark Hare, Peter McCall, Henry Wharton, Henry Cramond, James S. Riddle, Henry C. Lea, John S. Newbold, Caspar Wister, Edward S. Buckley, and S. Weir Mitchell were duly elected Directors and Lloyd P. Smith Treasurer of the said Company for the ensuing year.

Attest

Wm Henry Rawls

Secretary

J. D. Sergeant } Judges
 Charles McCreas }

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William Henry Paul was unanimously elected
secretary of the Board.

The minutes of the last meeting were read
and approved.

The Report of the Treasurer was presented
showing the following balance in his hands

Libary Company	\$ 9.58h. hf
Loganian Libary	1.210.32
Building Fund	5.75h 14
In London	£ 15h. 1.4

The following transfers were approved

Next of kin J. Lachen Collins to Francis Paul	
Francis Kille	to Charlotte Kille

The following standing committee was appointed

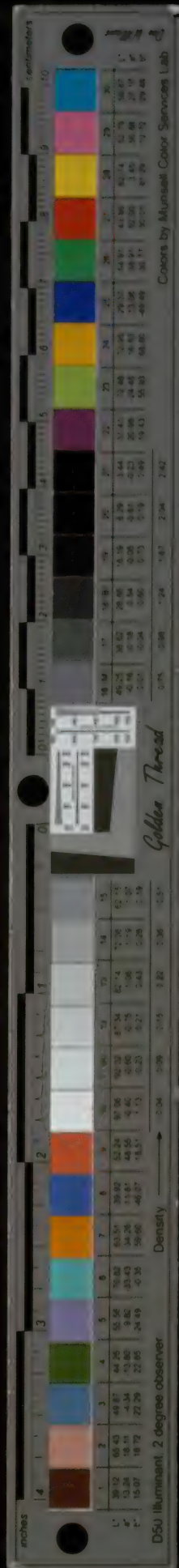
Correspondence of the purchase of hybrid American books
Messrs Lewis, Wharton, Bidelle Newbrell Mitchell

To arrange terms with those who may have lost or
defaced books

Messrs Diamond & Lea.

On request for specimens

Messrs Willing, Lea, Bidelle Mitchell



To Kabet book, and the binding. Replace defaced
 volumes
 Mrs. Ware, Librarian, Bramona Buckley

To purchase French, German, Italian & Italian book.
 Mrs. Ware, Mrs. McLeod, Biddle Weston

On Finance
 Mrs. Biddle, Lee and Newberry

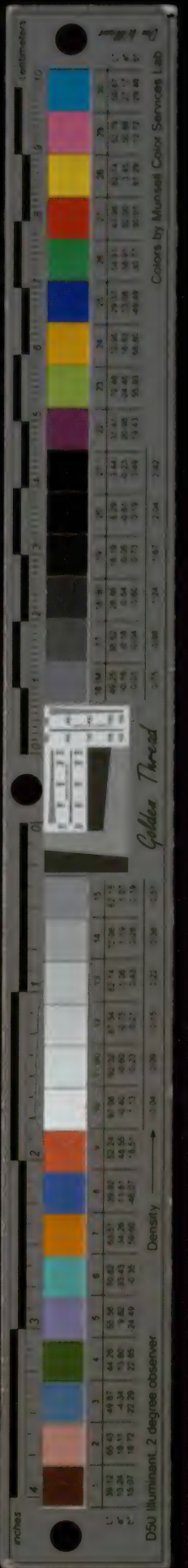
On a fine prof binding
 Mrs. Librarian, Biddle Newberry

The following order was drawn on the Treasurer			
to 112	Librarian salary.	12 mo	450 00
	Chairman ..	"	50 00
	Assistant ..	"	287 50
	Secretary	12 mo	<u>16 00</u> 803.50
113	Balance due Librarian on per report of committee		243.36
	current expenses of the current year, to be accounted for		<u>700 00</u> 943.36
114	Wrote the exchange for \$300		16 62, 94
	George O Beach for book		6 00
	Allen Lane Scott		2 00
	W. Appleton Jr		9 00
	J. Labin from		20 00
	James H. Simon		9 00
	Rem. Monthly		<u>3 00</u> 1,711.94
			<u>\$</u> 3,458.80

415	J. B. Peteron	5 00	
	E. H. Britton	1 40	
	Lear, Jb.	5 35	
	Potter's Monthly	28 35	
	J. L. Lammie Ruff	4 00	
	M. L. Dintance Smith	1 50	
	W. L. Hays	3 00	
		7 00	55 80
416	L. Williams Jb.	10 00	
	O. H. Wheeler	10 00	
	J. H. Kite Jb.	251 36	
	Wm. Buda	13 00	
	L. Williams	2 00	309 36
417	Yarber p. 1876	500 00	
	human	420 00	
	L. Magaye, catetopie card	180 00	
	J. H. Miller riding the same	16 50	
	Vogel Myer. Service relation to		
	copying catetopie	50 00	
	Water sent p. 1876	1500	1288.20 of 5.112.63

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian is indebted to thank the donor.

Westcott's Guide to Philadelphia from R. C. Clark		
Hulsean Lectures	"	"
Presbyterians in the Revolution	"	"
Mackey on the English Language	"	"
Gaspar's Life of Christ	"	"
McGie's Religion of our Literature	"	"
Donne's Works 5 vols.	"	"
Jacobus's notes	"	"
Kirk on Revivals	"	"
Mrs. Jameson's Common place Book	"	"
Gray's Poems	"	"



Scotts Poems

from R. C. Clark

History First City Troop	"	The Troop
Kings Rotary of 40th Parallel	"	Gen. A. A. Humphreys
Everlyn's Memoirs 2 vols.	"	R. C. Clark
Phila. Contributionship Centennial	"	The Contributionship
Disraeli's Curiosities of Literature	"	R. C. Clark
Evidence in regard to House of Refuge	"	James J. Barclay
Report Eastern Penitentiary	"	Richard Vaux
Chapman's Ocean Waves	"	The author
Disraeli's Calamities of Authors	"	R. C. Clark
" Amerities of Literature	"	"
Fraser's Blending Lights	"	"
Conference at Bonn	"	"
Credentials of Christianity.	"	"
Whitfield, The word unveiled	"	"
Hodggon's Society of Friends vol. 2	"	The author
Dabney on sensualistic philosophy	"	R. C. Clark
Nelck on modern thought	"	"
Coast of the Bay of Biscay	"	Commodore Hyman
Fraser's Mineral Tales	"	The author
Thomson's Sermons	"	R. C. Clark
Result of the Brooklyn Council	"	"

Wm. R. Clark
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors, June 1st 1876

Present, Messrs Johnson

Bradley &

Winter

Sec. Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

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The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:

due Sarah Kempson	£ 11. 17. 6 1/2
do Joanna L. L. L.	958. 16 1/2
do Bridget L. L.	5, 906 1/2
In London	£ 150. 1. 1

The Treasurer reported the following shares, forfeited in accordance with the Charter & laws of the Company.

Nathaniel Chapman, late

Aug. Davis, "

Charles B. Burdett, "

John May

Lamar W. Fisher

Henry Kling

Isaac H. Hobbs

Charles K. Sandis

John Meile M.D.

Charles Noble Jr

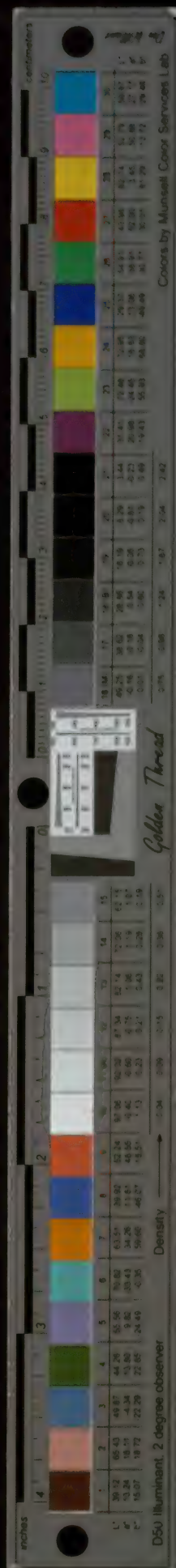
Agnes E. Harris

Edward Smith

The following transfers were approved

William Little Jr	to Mary Little
do John D. Phillips	do Martin Thomson
do John Roberts Jr	do James Magee
do William E. Whitman	do William Moss

An extract from a letter from Mr. John S. Newbold, (for Thos.) to Mr. Henry C. Lee, upon the subject of Mr. Coleman's offer



to purchase, in Paris, books for the library, ^{as reads} and it was agreed that the Librarian be authorized to permit him to borrow five hundred francs for that purpose.

The Librarian submitted a call for a Library Conference of Librarians, & all interested in library work, to be held at Philadelphia on the 15th of August next, a rich date as might be found more generally acceptable, and he was authorized & instructed to attend the same.

Permission was given to the Librarian to close the Library from the 1st of July next till the first of August.

The Committee on Taxation reported that the business of the Library proper had been exempt from taxation for this year, & that on making the proper representation to the Board of Revision of Taxes, there was little doubt it would be exempt for the following year. The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donor.

Geological Survey of Penna.	from Prof. Frazer
Bulletin U. S. Museum	" Secy of Interior
Survey of the 100th Meridian	" Gen. A. A. Humphreys
Coleridge's Poems	" R. C. Clark
Donnes	" "
Queen Mary	" "
Littleton on Death	" "
Nace on Christianity	" "
Report Pa. Public Charities	" "
Geraldine Doc's 2 vols.	" Mr. Fitzgibbon
Printer's Circular vol 10.	" Publishers
Catalogue Somerville Collection	" the author
Dore's Don Quixote	" R. C. Clark
Report Com. of Education	" Hon. John Eaton
Hayden's Survey of Colorado	" Secy Interior

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Exays Biblical Literature from R. C. Clark

Wm Henry Paulle
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors July 6, 1876
Present Messrs McCall
Biddle
& Hister

Secy & Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read
and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances
in his hands

Library Company \$3875.67

Loganian Library 983.49

Building Fund 6.213.47

In London £126.11.6

The following transfers were approved

Vincent L. Bradford to Virginia S. Hardy

Err Wm E. Morris " Charles E. Morris

William J. Binney " Sarah Emlen Hale

The Librarian reported that Don Pedro had
visited the Library and spent some time examining



its contents.

The application of S. Grant Smith for a restoration of his share forfeited in May, 1876 upon payment of all back dues was granted

A similar application on behalf of the Estate of Hugh Davids was also granted

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Speakers' Commentary Vol 5 from	R. C. Clark
Malcolm's Index to Religious Literature	the author
Catalogue Evanston Library	- Librarian
Report Phila Water Department	- Chief Engineer
Roger's Life of Fuller	R. C. Clark
Pleasanton on Blue Light	the author
Report Insp. Board of Health	the Board
Faber on the Holy Spirit	R. C. Clark
Report Bureau of Statistics	the Bureau
Surgical Report of the War Vol 2	John Robbins

Whereupon the Board adjourned until the first Thursday in September

Wm Henry Rawls
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors September 1/1876

Present Messrs Lewis
McCall
Wharton
Biddle
Lea

Secy & Treasurer

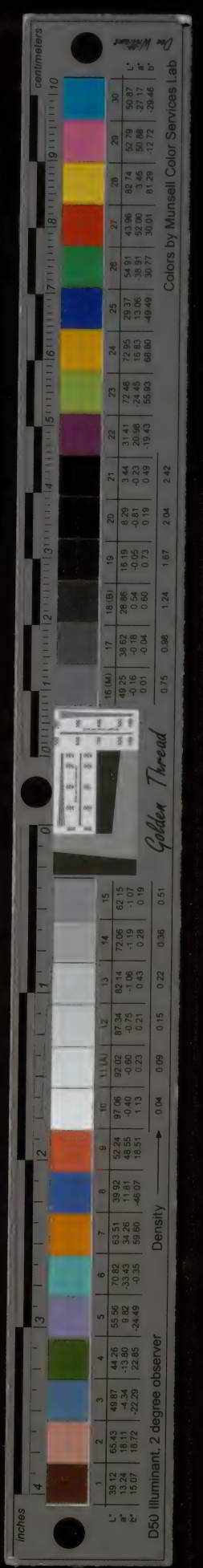
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands

Library Company	\$5774.67
Loganian Library	983.49
Building Fund	6393.147
In London	£71.16.6

The application of Charles K. Landis for a restoration of his forfeited share on payment of all back dues was granted

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer		
418 Polytechnic Review - Books		3.
Ingram & Smith	"	2.80
Daniel S. Durie	"	3
Adam Stevenson & Co		3.50
Southern Review		5.12
Carried Over		17.42



	Brought Forward		\$17.42	
	Porter & Coates Books		101.75	
	J. Penington & Son		52.90	
	J. B. Lippincott & Co		226.01	
	James & Simon		4.50	
	Schaefer & Moradi		13.	\$415.58
419	L. G. Goulding		5.	
	W. B. Lillier		122.78	
	Clayton Remson & Co		480.46	
	J. H. Judson		6.	
	E. W. Mills		5.15	
	Thomas Balch		1.35	
	Allen & Lane & Scott		50	
	Drexel & Co Bill of Exchange \$500		110.55	
	Pawson & Nicholson Binding		557.20	
	N. American Subscription		5	1293.99
420	do Advertising		10.50	
	do do		27.	
	Evening Bulletin		10.	
	do		19.75	
	Phila Inquirer		21.95	
	do		7.50	
	T. K. Collins - Printing Catalogues		88.53	
	J. B. Spruiger Stationery		6.	192.23
421	Moss & Co		19.80	
	McAllister & Co Illumination & July		10	
	John Gibb Chair Cushions		3.50	
	Ames Dist. Tel.		18	
	Penna Co for Insurance forage		5	
	J. A. Rites & Co - repairs		2.50	
	Geoff Stewart	tofumace	100	
	P. J. Cooke		5.50	
	Chas. Webb painting		2.50	
	Pegley & Son glazing		2	
	Carried Over			168.80

31.
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Brought Forward

422 W.D. James Card Catalogue 33.64

" 20.81

" 43.89

" 37.55

" 27.31

" 27.49

" 30.35

221.04

J.H. Lind

41.70

" 17.59

" 56.94

" 44.10

" 36.70

" 29.13

" 24.28

250.44

J.M. Abbot

13.69

" 19.76

" 20.

" 25.25

" 22

" 20.75

" 25.25

146.70

B. G. Owen

6.

" 41.32

" 15.08

63.40

C. H. Snyder

Kite ydazell. Carpenter Work

208.41

890.99

423 Librarian's salary 3 mos

450

Treasurer's

"

"

50

Assistants

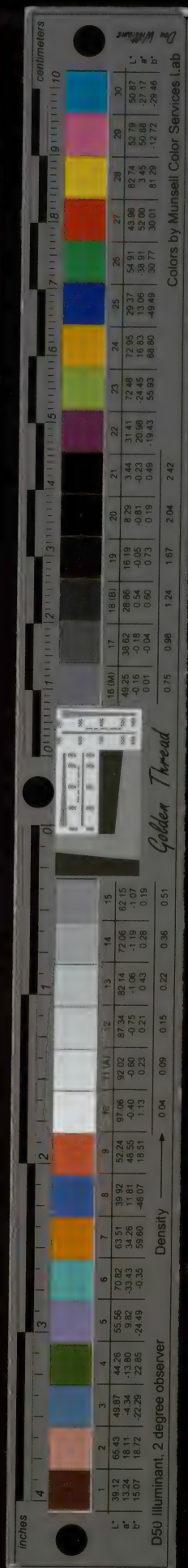
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287.50

787.50

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The Committee on Card Catalogue reported that a duplicate catalogue of all books not in the printed catalogue had been made for the use of the members.

The total number of cards written was 69,460, and the entire cost was \$1087.49 including cases and drawers for the reception of the cards and a stock of some 35,000 cards for future use.

The following transfers were approved
 Exr Jos Jones to Elizabeth Baeder
 Exr John Lifeson to Chas M. Cresson M.D.

The Librarian reported that the following letter with an invoice of French books amounting to 477.25 fcs has been received from Robert Coleman Esq of Paris.

29 Rue Chateaubriand Paris 31 June 1876.

Leoyd P. Smith Esq.

Librarian Phila Library Co.

Dr Sir

I have delayed answering your favor of 31st ult. enclosing a check of 500 francs until I had filled your order as nearly as possible which I have tried to do, in giving as much variety as possible to the accomplishment of your purpose.

In relation to the very late theatrical pieces such as the Etrangere, Danicheff &c although they have already had a winter's success on the stage, their authors, as is frequently the case, have not yet authorized their publication, in order to secure

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for their representation in other countries, particular advantages which they suppose are lost by their immediate publication

I have therefore not been able to obtain those pieces and amongst the others as with the novels I have made a general selection which I hope may suit you.

I have sent you other publications of a more serious nature, such as Renan's last work and the first volume which as yet is the only one published of *Caines' origine de la France contemporaine* "Maxime de Camps" remarkable work on the details of Paris municipal organizations &c. The succeeding volumes of any work of which you have only the first can be sent at future periods.

I have tried to obtain all the advantages possible in the purchase and have obtained the discount of 10% on the publishing price as you will perceive.

With the hope that the purchase will be satisfactory and that the box will arrive without damage believe me

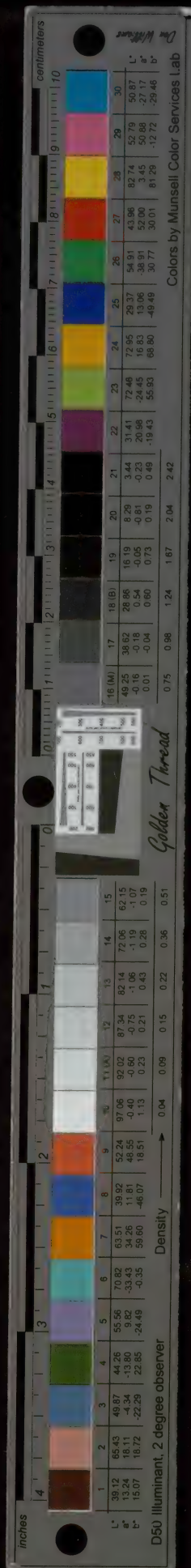
Most truly yours &c

Robt Coleman.

P.S. In sending the books by Sherbette Kane & Co. directly to Phila. I suppose I will have saved expense and trouble. I have thought it necessary to insure them and I suppose it is proper that I should leave the expenses on the transportation to follow:

If there is any particular in these details which does not suit you please inform me of the fact without hesitation.

The total amount of money spent having been 477.25 there remains to your credit the difference of



22 75/100 francs

R. C.

The box will leave Liverpool 12th July by the Lord
Oliver direct for Philadelphia.

Whereupon the following reply was sent

The Librarian also reported that a book had
been returned to the Library after having been out
one hundred years

The following presents were received for which
the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Geology of the United Mountains from Secretary of Interior	
Tracks Paleontology of the Territories	" "
U. S. Industrial Directory	" Henry Bower
Journal Society of Arts vol 23	" The Society
Packard on the Moths of the Territories	" Secy of Interior
Simpson's Explorations of the West	" "
Byfield on the Sabbath	" R. C. Clark
Stephens Life of Christ	" "
Bacon's Philosophy of Religion	" "
Huystron on Steam Engineering	" the author
Pearson on Blue Light	" "
Report Vienna Exhibition 4 vols.	" Department of State
Perma. Archives 2 ^d Series vol 14.	" Secy of Commonwealth
Mellor on the Priesthood	" R. C. Clark
U. S. Coast Survey for 1873	" Superintendent
Specimen of National Medical Catalogue	" Surgeon Gen. Barnes
Mell on Prayer	" R. C. Clark
Ropp's Rapid Reckoner	" Lloyd P. Smith
Aesop's Fables	" R. C. Clark
Martin's Declaration of Independence	" the author
Lange on Exodus	" R. C. Clark
Andrews Sermons 5 vols.	" "
Murray's New Guinea	" "
Ryle's Clergy of other days	" "

Philadelphia Library
Aug. 18/76

Dear Sir

Your Invoice of books with accompanying letter of advice was duly received and yesterday the Box was received at the Library and its contents examined. The Board are highly pleased with the judicious selection you have made, the books being exactly what we wanted. A few are necessarily duplicates of works already on the shelves, but these we can easily dispose of in some way, if we do not even retain them for the convenience of the members.

I went down yesterday with the architect to see the new Library Building now in course of erection by the Executors of Dr. Rush. It is a noble structure and internally well adapted to its purpose. It will be finished in about a year from this time.

Hoping to have the pleasure of making you another remittance before a very great while.

Truly yours

Lloyd P. Smith

R. Coleman, Esq.

R. C. Clark

Publishers

Board

Author

S. Buckley

Rawle
Secretary

October 5, 1876

Biddle

Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands

Library Company

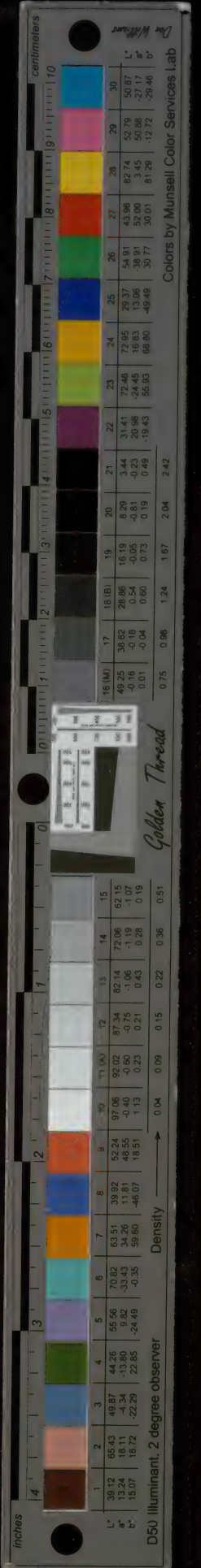
\$2025.67

Loganian Library

890.59

Building Fund
In London

6571.22
£ 33.0.4



22 $\frac{75}{100}$ franc

The box will be
 given direct for
 Whereupon

The Librarian
 been returned to
 one hundred ye.

The following
 the Librarian
 Geology of the
 Meads Paleontology
 U. S. Industrial
 Journal Society of
 Packard on the
 Simpsons Exploration
 Byfield on the
 Stephens Life of
 Bacon's Philoso

Huystron on Steam Engineering	" the author
Peasanton on Blue Light	" "
Report Vienna Exhibition 4 vols.	" Department of State
Perma. Archives 2 ^d Series vol 4.	" Secy of Commonwealth
Mellor on the Priesthood	" R. C. Clark
U. S. Coast Survey for 1873	" Superintendent
Specimen of National Medical Catalogue	" Surgeon Gen. Barnes
Mell on Prayer	" R. C. Clark
Ropp's Rapid Reckoner	" Lloyd P. Smith
Aesop's Fables	" R. C. Clark
Martin's Declaration of Independance	" the author
Lange on Exodus	" R. C. Clark
Andrews Sermons 5 vols.	" "
Murray's New Guinea	" "
Ryle's Clergy of other days	" "

Vaughan's Our Christian Hope from R. C. Clark
 Lavelage on Protestantism " "
 Sutton on the Sacrament " "
 Sunday Dispatch 2 vols. " The Publishers
 Report of Board of Health " The Board
 Sève - Le Chili tel qu'il est. the author
 14 Vols. of French Books " Ed. J. Buckley

Wm Henry Rawle
 Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors October 5, 1876

Present Messrs Lewis

Gramond &

Biddle

Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read
 and approved

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 balances in his hands

Library Company

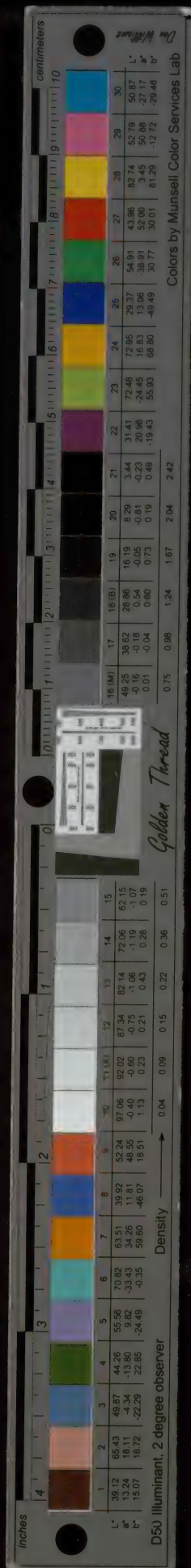
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Loganian Library

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Building Fund
 In London

6571.22
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The following transfers were approved
 Exr Joseph O Browne to Joseph Parish

The Librarian announced that the
 Assistant, Mr Abbot, who has been fourteen
 years in the service of the Company, was to
 be married on the 12th of October, and
 requested ten days leave of absence,
 which was granted and his
 salary increased one hundred dollars
 a year to take effect from last August.

The following presents were received for which
 the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Palmer on the family	from R. C. Clark
The Widow Seymour	the author
Vaughan's Temple Lectures	R. C. Clark
Narcus South Australia	Governor S. A.
History Westhamony Church	R. C. Clark
Vaughan's force of faith	"
Geological survey Ohio Vol 2	The Governor
Nautical Almanac 1879	Secy of the Navy
Official handbook N. Zealand	Agent of the Colony
Seamans Views of Nature	the author
Centennial of Potlows	Mark Richards
Hayden's survey of Interior Territories Vol 6	Secy of Interior
Navy Department Exhibits	Admiral Jenkins
Catalogue Tenn. State Library	The Librarian
Boston Athenaeum Catalogue Vol 2	"
Trans. College of Physicians Vol 6	The College
Seamen's System of Government	.. author
Map of Brazil	Brasilia Commission

Wm Henry Rouse
 Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors November 2, 1876

Present Messrs Wharton
 Diamond
 Newbold
 Wister &
 Mitchell
 Secretary & Treasurer

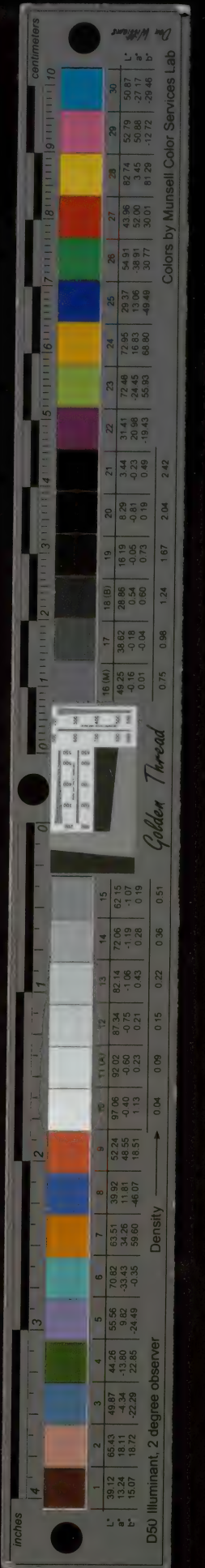
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands

Library Company	\$2199.67
Loganian Library	1490.59
Building Fund	8073.60
In London	£4115.7

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

424	Librarians Salary 3 mos.	450.	
	Treasurer " "	50.	
	Assistants " "	306.25	806.25
425	Gelbie & Banier Books	6.	
	F. Leyboldt "	5.	
	W. H. B. Thomas "	5.	
	do	7.50	
	do	5.	
	do	3.	31.50



		over	31.50	
	Albert Ellis	Books	32.25	
	J. M. Ellis	"	2.80	
	P. H. Bell	"	1.20	67.75
426	Historical Society	"	2.50	
	B. Ashworth	"	7.50	
	R. Buchanan	"	2.	
	Prince Society	"	5.	
	H. C. Baird & Co.	"	5.80	
	Little, Brown & Co.	"	5.	
	Genealogical Registry	"	5.25	
	Southern Historical Soc'y.	"	3.	
	John Lafferty		2.50	38.55
427	One third Expenses Librarians Convention		63.61	
	E. J. Benedict	Repairs	38.00	
	John Budd	"	9.25	
	C. H. Snyder	Stationery	1.	111.86

The following transfers were approved
 Charles Noble to Henry Bentley
 Chas. Landis " Louis Hassitt M.D.

The application of Charles Noble for
 the restoration of his forfeited share on
 payment of all back dues was granted

The following presents were received for
 which the Librarian was directed to
 thank the donors

Congressional Globe 11 vols. from Department of Interior
 Pennsylvania Illustrated by J. G. Allen
 Massachusetts Historical Proceedings to the Society

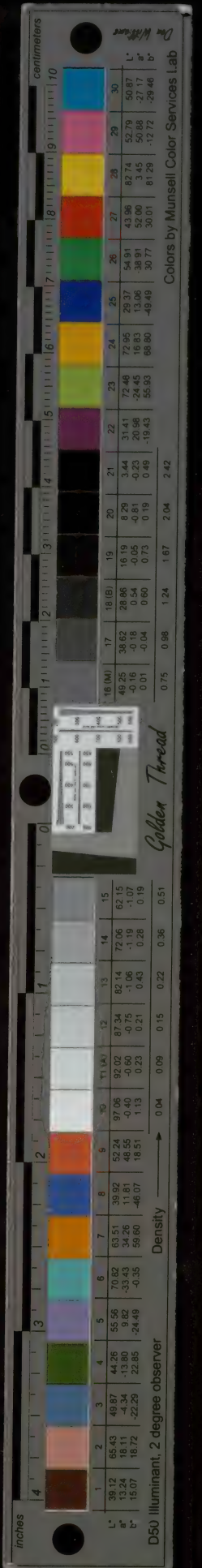
Craufords Preaching of the cross from R. C. Clark
 Reid on Ezekiel 2 vols. " "
 Spirit of Methodism " C. H. Cavender
 Sundry Catalogues " J. D. Sergeant
 Maine Register " Centennial Com^r of Maine.
 Farnar's Hulsean Lectures " R. C. Clark
 Vaughan's Wholesome Words " "
 Giffords four sermons " "
 Brocketts Silk Industry of America.. the Author
 Williams History of St. Paul ~~Maine~~ " "
 Catalogue Library of Congress " The Librarian
 Bruce's Cunningham Lectures " R. C. Clark
 Bigelows Tour to Niagara " Abbott Lawrence
 Capan's Japanese Reports " the Author
 Allen on Short horn cattle " John Jay Smith
 Historical map of Penna. " "
 Survey West of 100th meridian " Gen. A. A. Humphreys

The resolution of October 5, 1876, increasing
 the salary of the Assistant Librarian one
 hundred dollars was amended by
 providing that seventy five dollars thereof
 shall be charged to the Lithuan Company
 and twenty five dollars to the Loganian Library

The Treasurer was authorized to sell and transfer
 the following registered bonds belonging to the Lithuan
 Company, for the purpose of investing in a mortgage

No 3247	U.S. Currency 60	\$1000
5729	" 5/200 of 1885	1000
5730	" "	1000
5731	" "	1000
1278	" "	500

Wm Henry Paine Secretary



At a meeting of the Directors, December 7, 1876

Present Messrs Lewis	Biddle
Hare	Newbold
McBall	Wister
Wharton	Buckley
Secretary & Treasurer	

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:

Library Company	\$1870.67
Loganian Library	1291.34
Building Fund	388.60
In London	£ 4 ¹¹ 5 ¹¹ 7

The following transfers were approved
 William McConnell to Franklin McConnell
 Mary Little " Franklin Adcock
 John H. Easley " Horace Gimney
 Thomas S. Strawbridge " Theophilus Chandler

The Committee on Finance reports that they have loaned Louis Sweitzer \$13,000 on account of the Building Fund on his bond secured by a mortgage on premises on the East side of 15th St

41.
North of Susquehanna Avenue - Mortgage
recorded in Mtge Book D.H.L. to 90/page 247 &c.

Messrs Biddle and Newbold were appointed
a committee to examine the accounts between
the Librarian Company and the Lofanian
Library

The following presents were received
for which the Librarian was directed
to thank the donors:—

Gloag's Commentary on Acts from R. C. Clark
Lectures on the Gospels " "

Appenzellische Jakobcher 3 vols. " the publisher

Medico Chirurgial Review 104 Vols and 30 numbers from
Dr S. Wier Mitchell

Bulletin de la Société Genevoise 3 vols. the society

Zürcherische Zeitschrift 13. " "

Verhandlungender Zürcherischen
Kantonalvereins " "

Journal de la Société Vandois " "

Verhandlungen der St. Gallischen
Gesellschaft " "

Bulletin d'utilité publique " "

Merz. Library Catalogue of fiction from the Librarian

2 copies Lewis' Sappho " " author

History U.S. Naval Academy " Admiral Rodgers.

Baedekers' Handbooks 7 vols. " the publisher.

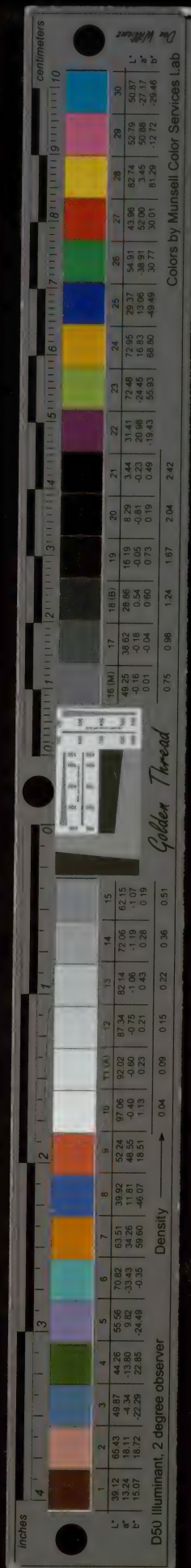
Whitfield's Gleanings from Scripture " R. C. Clark

Scott on N. Testament quotations " do

Water Lilies " do.

Mayor Stokely's Report " The Mayor of Phila.

History of the Cooper shop Saloon " Mrs. A. Horner



Schultz - pêche de la Caspienne	from the Russian Commission
Report Department of Agriculture	" Hon. Fred. Watts
Pêcheries dans la mer blanche	" Russian Ministry of Domains
Fischerei im Weissen Meer	" do
Garguilo's Museum at Naples 2 vols.	" the author
Reunion Army of the Cumberland	" John P. Nicholson
Whitfield's Voices from the Valley	" R. C. Clark
Crawford's Baird Lecture	" "
Whitfield's Word of Truth	" "
Gross Teachings of Providence	" "
Whitfield's Truth in Christ	" "
Costerzee on Moses	" "
Casper's Footsteps of Christ	" "
Costerzee on St. John's Gospel	" "
Krummacher's David	" "
Tulloch's Doctrine of Sin	" "
Mitchell's Sermons	" "
Reich's Messianic prophecy	" "
Fairbairn's pastoral theology	" "
" Epistles	" "
2 ^d Geol. Survey of Penna. 4 vols.	" Prof. P. Frazer, Jr.
Medieval Saints + miracles	" R. C. Clark.
Centennial Catalogue of France	" French Commission
" " Official 2 vols.	" John Welsh.
Haley on Bible discrepancies	" R. C. Clark
Tilghman's Journal	" Oswald Tilghman
The family of Scull	" G. B. Scull
Wallfahrt nach Jonsthal	" A. S. Gassitiel
Goethe's Wallerwandtschaften	" "
Siamese Centennial Catalogue	" the Commissioner
Reports Phila. Board of Health	" the Board
Crawford on the Atonement	" R. C. Clark
" " Fatherhood of God	" "
Gloag on the Pauline epistles	" "

Overcome by André from R. C. Clark.
 Hindekoper's Judaism at Rome. the Author
 Wochler's Grundsätze der Chemie Ad. Gafertel
 Plans of John Hopkins's Hospital. the Trustees
 Akerman's Iron Manufacture of Sweden from Swedish Commissioners

Wm. Henry Rawle
 Secretary

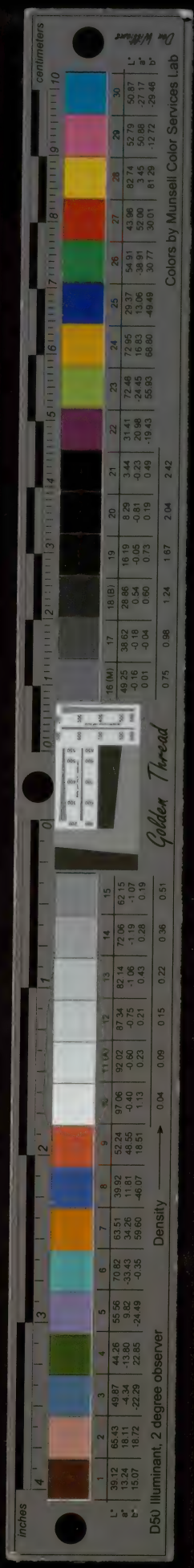
At a meeting of the Directors Jan 4/1877
 Present Messrs McFall
 Wister
 Mitchell
 Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands

Library Company	\$2087.67
Loganian Library	1314.61
Building Fund	695.91
In London	£ 32. 9. 10

The Treasurer reports that the Board of



Revision of Taxes has exempted the
Library Building from Taxation for 1876 & 1877

The Librarian reported that the following
letter had been received, together with
the chair therein mentioned, for which
he was directed to thank the donor

20th December 1876 Philadelphia

To Lloyd P. Smith Esq.

Sir

The old chair which I now offer to the
Philadelphia Library, in token of thanks for the use I have been
permitted to make of its books, was made in England, and brought
to America before the Independence of the United States. It was
formerly owned by an intimate friend of General George Wash-
ington and was his favorite seat whenever he visited that friend

Respectfully

Glorvina Fort

No. 233 South Third St.

Philadelphia.

The following letter, together with the
testimonials therein referred to, was also
received

Mercantile Library

Athenaeum Building

Baltimore Dec. 21/1876

To the President & Directors of the Library Company of Philadelphia
Gentlemen

I have the honor to enclose Testimonials from the President
and Librarian of the Mercantile Library of this city. Referring
you to my application of some months since, I remain

Your obt. servant

Saml. C. Donaldson

45.

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts between this institution and the Logansport Library reported a balance due the Library Company of on the 1st inst of \$69/53

The Executors of Henry Kings Estate applied to have the share standing in the name of the Estate restored upon payment of back dues which was granted.

The following transfers were approved
Wm. T. Pappat to Charles Evans
A. R. Ashton to George B. Mumfrit

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Jahresbericht der Natur forschenden Gesellschaft from the Society
Schweitzer

" Meteorologische Beobachtungen from the Society

Pamphlets Reformed Episcopal Church from Thos. H. Powers

Transactions Grand Chapter of Iowa vols. " the Chapter

Reports Dept of Agriculture 3 vols. " the Department

Binnney's Sermons " R. C. Clark

Junney's Peace principles Exemplified " the author

Coast Survey Reports for 1873 " " Superintendent

Monteith's Geography " " author

Review of Trade of Russia from the Russian Commission

Pa. Reports Inspectors of Mines " Horatio E. Jones

British Catalogue of Centennial " Consul Kortright

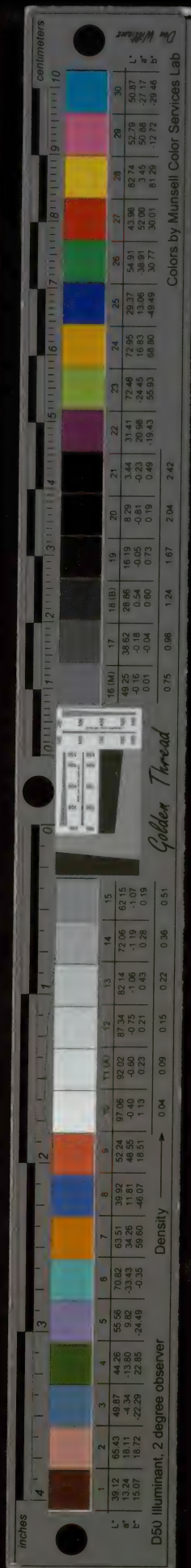
Collection of pamphlets

Reports, books, &c. relating to Centennial Exhibition Horace I. Smith

Report of Secy. of Internal affairs Pa. from Horatio E. Jones

Alpenrithschaftsliche Monatsblätter " the Society

Smithsonian Contributions vols 20 & 21 " institution



Smithsonian Report for 1875 from the Institution
 Brazil at the Exhibition "Smithsonian Inst^m"

Wm. Henry Rawls
 Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors Feb. 1877
 Present Messrs Ware Newbold
 Wharton Wister
 Cramond Mitchell
 Biddle Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were
 read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following
 balances in his hands

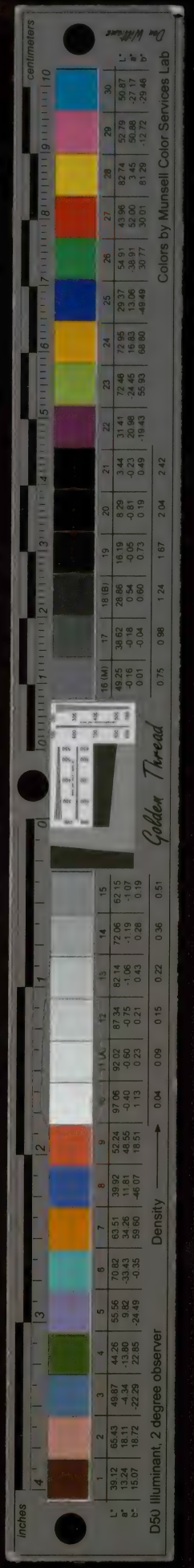
Library Company	2491.67
Loganian Library	1314.61
Building Fund	695.91
In London	£9.15.0

The following orders were drawn upon
 the Treasurer

428 Librarian's Salary 3 mos.	450.
Treasurer's " "	50.
Assistants	<u>306.25</u>

429	Schaefer & Koradi Books	8.46	
	Henry C. Baird	9.24	
	J. Pennington & Son	6.00	
	Journal of Philosophy	3.00	
	J. H. Dewes	.90	
	J. B. Lippincott & Co.	189.22	
	B. J. Exchange & 50	266.45	
	A. B. Fairs	2.00	485.21
430	North American	5.	
	H. H. B. Thomas	10.	
	Butterfield	1.50	
	Porter & Coates	92.99	
	F. M. Ellis	9.19	
	George S. Bethel	.20	
	D. C. Dransmore	1.60	
	John Lafferty	3.50	123.98
431	Schaefer & Koradi	24.65	
	Benjamin Bauer	14.76	
	Claxton R. and H.	292.84	
	M. J. Lawrence	10.50	
	Pioneer	14.	
	F. W. Christine	2.05	
	Review	14.40	
	Charles Adams agt.	6.00	
	Pawson & Nicholson Binding	507.15	876.35
432	Moss & Co. Stationery	13.35	
	J. K. Collins Printing	59.68	
	M. L. Frederick	10.00	
	R. P. Johnson Repairs	11.	
	Riggs & Co.	6.50	
	J. M. Steller	1.50	
	R. M. Pegley & Son.	4.80	106.83

The following presents



were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Burley's U.S. Gazetteer	from the publisher
Report Comptroller of the currency	" Hon. John Robbins
Halliwell's Shakespeare study	" the author
" " collections	" " "
Centennial Franklin Lodge	" the Lodge
Jannet's peace principles exemplified	" author
The Female Review	from Miss Read
Charlotte Smith's Sonnets	" " "
Centennial in New Bedford	" N. Bedford City Council
Proceedings Am. Pharmaceutical Assn.	" the Association
Halliwell's Life of Shakespeare	" " author
Paley's Natural Theology	" R. C. Clark
President's Message	" Hon John Robbins
Wesleyan Repository	" Mr. Gardner
Lange on Chronicles	" R. C. Clark
Catalogue Franklin Institute Lib.	" the Librarian
Hydrographic publications no. 59	" Commodore Wymau
Report on Indian Affairs	" Hon. John Robbins
Deard's Naval Medical Schools	" the author
Ohio Auditors Report 1876.	" " "
Woodbridge on Steel	" " "
Report on Commercial relations	" Hon John Robbins
Baer on the Penna. Germans	" the author

The following transfers were approved

Edward Penington	to	Alfred Lewis
Atty for Sam ^e Kneass	to	Morcellina Fassitt
Alfred Elwyn	to	William H. Yerkes
Atty for Rowland Evans	to	Anna D. Marsily

49.

The Librarian presented the written Report
by the Assistant Librarian as to the recovery
of certain books stolen from the Library & the
arrest & conviction of the thief. This being
the fifth time that the present Librarian has
recovered stolen books and convicted the offender.

The Report was as follows:-

Philadelphia Library

January 18th. 1877

Lloyd. P. Smith Esq.

Librarian

Dear Sir

About two months ago I informed
you that some books had been taken off the stand for
new books and that I was afraid they had been
stolen. I could not remember the names of all but I
knew of two copies of the "Orphan of Pemlico".
From that time Benjamin and I have kept a very
strict watch upon the open stand and all cases
which were open and upon all strangers coming to
the library. We suspected that there was a thief
about and watched particularly a young man
who came quite often to the library but we were
never able to detect him taking anything. He
was respectable looking and our only reason for
suspecting him was that he wandered about
the library in an aimless way. Some time early
in January, I think about the 4th, Benjamin told
me that some directories were missing, upon
looking I found about fourteen volumes gone.
I think that it was this same day that you
spoke to the young man whom we suspected
and told him he could not use the books
in the open case. He left and did not come



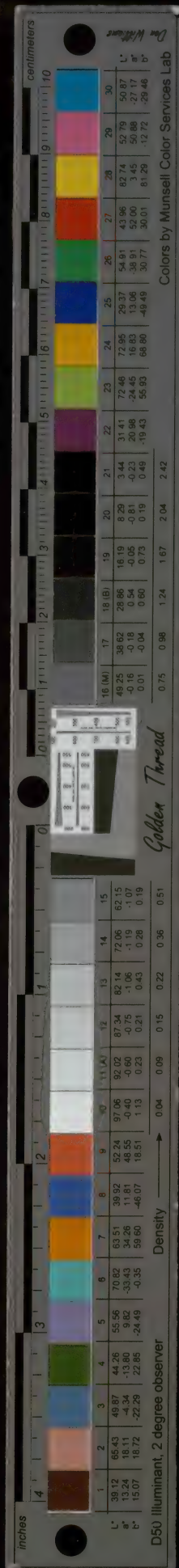
to the library again.

The day after this Mr Kline, second hand dealer, 8th Street below Walnut, sent down three directories for us to buy which turned out to be some of our missing books. I then went to Mr Stuart who keeps Leary's second hand book store at 5th and Walnut Streets and asked him if he had been buying any directories. He said yes and gave me two of our books which he had purchased. He said that he knew the person who had sold them to him, that he was a young man whom he had seen about the neighborhood for years. Mr Stuart then came to the library to see you and it was arranged that if the man came again, he should be detained and word sent to the library at once that we might have him arrested. About quarter after ten, Wednesday morning 10th of January, a boy came up from Leary's to say that the young man who had sold the directories was at the shop again. I went to the Central Station, got a policeman, went down to Leary's and had the man arrested, he was held in One thousand dollars bail by Alderman Carpenter. The prisoner gave his name as Henry Barnhurst 1925 Montgomery Ave. Age 24 - married. After the hearing before the Alderman, I went with a policeman having a search warrant, and Mr Stuart to 1925 Montgomery Ave. Here we found that the thief's right name was Henry Woodward and that the name Barnhurst which he had given was that of his father-in-law with whom he lived. We searched the house and found several books having the plate of the library in them. These we brought down to the station house with us.

That afternoon you, Mr James Biddle and I saw

the prisoner who made a confession. I wrote down the names of the books that he remembered taking and also the names of the places where he said he had sold them. I then with the police officer and Mr Stuart, paid a second visit to the prisoner's house and got some more books, making fifteen in all that we got at his house. (You will find the names of all books ~~etc~~ recovered, at end of this report) We also visited some other places and got one book at Doyle's 10th St. above Chestnut.

On Thursday morning the policeman and I started off again. At Mr. Leary's we got one book, at Sennetts' Walnut St above 5th St twelve books, at Garrett and Crawford Walnut St. below Sixthth - nothing. We then went to Welsh's corner 6th and Walnut St's - got one book; then to Ogdens 259 S 6th Street. here we got one book. We next visited the Episcopal Rooms where Mr Nicholls told us that he had bought two directories and had sold them again out of the city but would get them for us as soon as he could. We went to Ashworth's 228 S. 9th St. He had bought two books and sold them to Mr Ashurst Bowie 1429 Spruce St. We went up to Mr Bowie's with Mr Ashworth and got them. On our way up we stopped at Butterfield's Spruce St. above 10th St. here we got one book and later in the day Mr Butterfield brought down to the library four more. Mr Kline also sent down another book. On Friday morning you the policeman and I went to Sennetts' where we got two more books, then to Garrett and Crawford again without success. The officer



and I then went down to Mayamensing prison where we saw Woodward and got some more information. He was positive that he had sold Garrett and Crawford a book.

After leaving the prison we went to Mr. Brotherhead's library 13th St. below Walnut St. He had no recollection of having bought anything. I took a look over his stock but could find none of our books, although the prisoner's statement was that he had sold him three or four. From Mr. Brotherhead's we went to Taggarts' 8th and Wood Sts, here we found that two books had been bought but sold again, fortunately the man was able to remember to whom he had sold them and we were able to get them later in the day. Our next visit was to Jordan's Walnut St below Fourth St, here we got one book, the man had bought two but one had been resold.

Saturday morning you, the policeman and myself again went to Garrett and Crawford to see if they could remember anything, they declared again that they had bought nothing. Crawford went down with the policeman and me to prison and upon seeing the prisoner, remembered that he had bought a book from him. He said however that he had sold it again to a lawyer but would try to get it back for us. His memory seemed to improve very much when he saw the prisoner. The prisoner asserting again that he had sold Mr. Brotherhead some books and more particularly a book called "Old English Homes", we paid that gentleman a second visit. Mr. Brotherhead denied positively having bought this. Denied ever having seen the book. The policeman afterwards made a third visit but without success. We again visited the Episcopal Rooms, Mr. Nicholls had

not yet recovered our directories but promised to do so within a week.

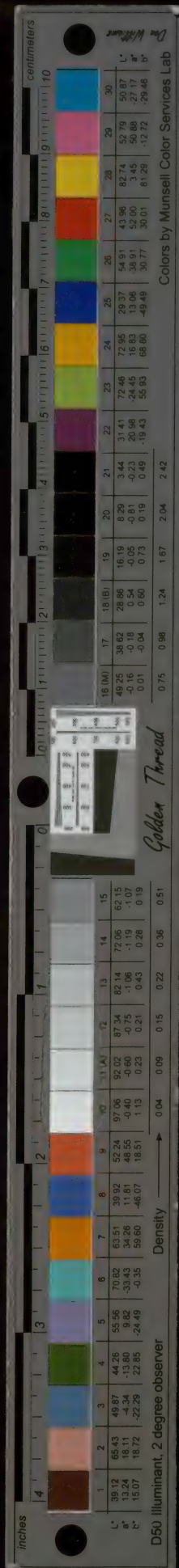
The last place we called at was Price Bro. 233 S. Second St, here we got one book. This ended our search.

The Directory and Reference cases are now kept locked and fresh notices are posted on cases which have to remain open for the use of members.

A list of those books which I did not succeed in getting, is appended to the list of those recovered. You will see by the list that fifty books have been recovered. There are still two directories to be returned by Mr Nicholls and four books which have been resold and trace of them lost, one book sold with some chance of getting it back. and two books in dispute, the persons to whom the prisoner says he sold them utterly denying that they were ever offered to them. The other books, some four or five which Woodward says he sold to Mr Brotherhead, Mr Brotherhead could not remember and I could not find them in his library.

On my last visit to the prison, Woodward told me that he thought I had now found all the books stolen by him, excepting those noted above as not having been recovered. I did not pay for any of the books that I got, merely claimed them as the property of the company and in no case did I have any trouble in taking them away.

The prisoner was tried in the Court of Quarter Sessions, on Tuesday Jan. 16th 1877 and on my testimony sentenced to two years and six months in the County Prison. Since the trial I learn that the officers of the Penna. Railroad seeing an account of it in the paper visited the pris-



over at Moyamensing prison and found that he was a man whom they had been looking for since last September, he having robbed them by a forgery, of over one thousand dollars.

Very Respectfully

Geo. Maurice. Abbot

Asst. Lib^{rn}

List

of

Books recovered.

At prisoner's house

Fall of the Stuarts

Puritan Revolution

Greeks and Persians

Country life illustrated

Pamphlets

Phila. Directories 1806, 1807, 1810, 1811

Age of Elizabeth

Early Plantagenets

Athenian Empire

Remains of Fulk Greville

Early Empire

Recherches sur l'Amerique

15 vols

At Leary's 5 and Walnut Sts.

Phila Directories 1794, 1796.

Orphan of Pindico.

3 "

At Kline's 8th St bet Walnut St.

Phila Directories 1798, 1800, 1801, 1802

4 "

Carried over

22 "

Brought over 22 vols.
 At Doyle's 10th bet. Market.

Yellow Fever Pamphlets 1 "

At Welsh's 6th bet. Walnut St.

Orphan of Simlico 1 "

At Sennetts Walnut St. ab. 5th St.

Collott's French dictionary

Handbook of Proverbs

Sidney's Charles II 2 vols.

Guizot's Cromwell 2 vols.

Phila. Directories 1804, 1805, 1808, 1809.

Defence of Judicial Astrology

Voyages and Discoveries

Views in Belgium and Nassau

Young's English-Greek Lexicon 14 "

At Ogden's 259 S. Sixth St.

Indian alps 1 "

At Ashworth's 228 S. 9th St.

Indias Occidentales

Historia Hernan Cortez 2 "

At Butterfields Spruce St. ab. 10th St.

Webster's Dictionary

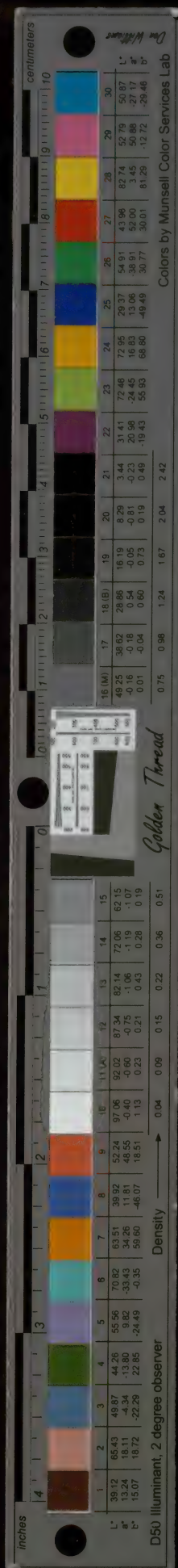
Seneca's Works

Gospel in New England

Padre Fran de Mariana

Jessey - Conversion of East Indians 5 "

Carried over 46 "



Brought over 46 vols.

At Saggerts Cor 8th and Wards Sts

London Interiors

English Costumes

2 "

At Jordans Walnut St bet 4th & 5th St

Braddocks Expedition

1 "

At Price Bro 233 S. Second St

Italian Bible

1 "

Total Number of books recovered

50 "

Books not recovered.

Those which had been sold again

Rankin's Sovereigns etc of Southern Europe

Smith's Classical Dictionary

Sophocles Greek Lexicon - Byzantine Period

Collier's Shakespeare 8th Edition.*Books to be returned by Mr. Nicholls*

2 Directories of Philadelphia

Books in dispute

Old English Homes

Lundy's Monumental Christianity

Books which may be recovered

Photographs of Raphael's works.

Five Books were stolen the names of which the prisoner
could not remember.

Geo. Maurice. Albot

Asst. Librarian

Jan. 18th 1877.

Henry R. Riddle
Secretary

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At a meeting of the Directors March 1, 1877

Present Messrs Willing

Lewis
Haze
McCall
Newbold

Secretary Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands

Library Company \$1023.67

Loganian Library 148.88

Building Fund 987.41

In London £47.17.9

The Executor of Chas. B. Durlin's Estate applied to have his share restored on payment of back dues which was granted.

The following transfer was approved
Exr Chas. B. Durlinow to Vannie D. Stuthers

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Langin's Epistola from Philip H. Law.

Lexicon Juridicum " "

Dictionnaire de pratique " "

Chauvin's Lexicon	from	Philip H. Law
Herder's Outlines	"	"
Ordonnances de la marine 2 tomes	from	"
Traité de la marine 2 tomes	"	"
Shakespeare Engravings	"	J. O. Halliwell
Map Hist. Collections 2 vols.	"	the Society
Brazilian Biographical annual	"	Brazilian Legation
Green's Centennial Oration	"	Dr. Saul A. Green
Pearce's Iron manufacture in America	"	the Author
Centennial Congress of Liberals	"	Liberal League
Report Board of State Charities	"	Massachusetts Board
Prayer Book Reformed E. Church	from	Thos H. Porous
Report Trustees Phila Gas Works	"	P. Frazer Jr.
Report of City Trusts	"	Henry M. Phillips
Memoir of Dr. Sparrow	"	Thos. H. Porous
Report of Chief of Engineers U.S.A.	"	Gen. Humphreys.

Wm Henry Rouse
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors April 5/1877

Present Messrs Lewis
Cramond
Biddle
Newbold
Wister
Buckley
Mitchell

Secretary and Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances

on his hands:-

Balance Library Co. \$ 1,481. 67

Loganian 456. 88

Building Fund 1,227. 63

due in London £ 78. 3. 2.

The following transfers were approved

Executor Am. Struthers to Helen S. Ellis

Adm^r Susan B. Harper to Agnes G. Harper

Exc. Am. D. Cooper to Eliza B. Cooper

" Frederick Meyer to Julia B. Meyer

Henry Krauff to Edward Lewis

Charles S. Riche' to Chas. R. Hildebun

Messrs Wharton and Biddle were appointed a committee to examine the Treasurer's and Librarian's Accounts.

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

Depechement du lac Fucino from the Prince Torlonia

Penna. Archives vol. 3 " Pa. Legislature

Reports of Dept. of Agriculture 2 vols. " the Superintendent.

Association of insane Superintendents " Dr. Kirkbride

Fennor's Road Review " the Editor

Washington Meteorological Observations " Admiral Davis

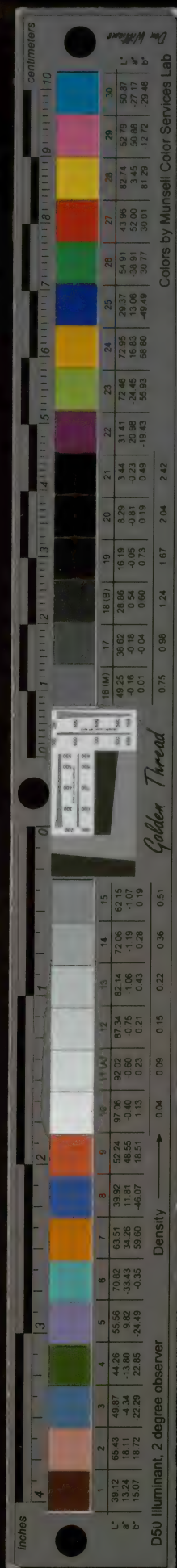
Ludlow's Report on Montana " Gen. Humphries

Rhode Island System " Zachariah Allen

U. S. Navy Regulations " Commodore Ammon.

Report Cincinnati Board of Education " the Board.

French's Sermons from R. C. Clark



St. Mark's Church case 2 copies from Mr. Harrison
 Report Marine Hospitals .. Secy of Navy.
 Report, Chiff of Ordnance .. Gen. Beret
 Holl's picturesque tourist .. the widow of the author
 Gasparin la conscience .. the author
 350 miscellaneous vols. .. Hist. Socy of Penna.

Wm Henry Rowe
 Secretary -

At a meeting of the Directors May 3rd. 1847,
 Present Messrs Lewis Biddle
 Wister Martin
 Secretary and Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved

The following transfers were approved:
 Exrs W. S. Hilles to Wm K. Walton
 J. Monro Mackie .. Wm. H. Gaur
 Joseph Price .. Miss Annie Randolph
 Heirs J. B. Trevor .. Rev. James W. Robins
 Exr. Sarah J. Pleasants .. Edward Pleasants
 Exr Henry Earle .. Martha B. Earle
 Horatio C. Wood .. Jacob Peetry
 Exr. George Allen .. Harry B. Rosengarten

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the Treasurer's and Librarian's accounts reports that they have performed that duty and find the same correct.
 The Balance due the Building Fund is \$1825.46

Due Library Company

\$1,732.94

Librarian

125.65

The Treasurer reported that the President of the Mercantile Library called to inform him that their Company had been threatened by the collector of Delinquent Taxes with a suit for the taxes of the past three years. Mr. Fish a Director of the Mercantile Library also called on Mr. McCall to report the same threat

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

Lange's Commentaries 2 vols. from R. Case Clark
256 Vols Miscellaneous works " Historical Society
Bleek on New Testament 2 vols. " R. Case Clark
McDonald's Life of St. John " "
16 Vols Theological works " "
Eulogies on Congressmen " H. L. McFadden
Penna. Report on Public Charities " The Board,
Hatch on the Argentine Republic, Edward Shiftken
De Witts Political maxims, Mr. Frazier
Journal Society of Arts vol. 24 " The Society
Report on Commerce and Navigation " Bureau of Statistics

Wm Henry Rawls
Secretary -

At a Meeting of the Directors May 10 1877

Present Treasrs. Hickling, Lewis,
McCall, Crannond
Biddle, Lea
Wister, Buckley
Mitchell
and Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.
The Treasurer reported the following balances on his hands

Balance Library Company	\$ 7,297. 64
" Loganian	1,511. 36
" Building Fund	1,975. 46

The returns of the election were thereupon read by the Secretary (See ing)
William Henry Rawle was appointed Secretary by the Board

The following Standing Committees were appointed:

Correspondence and the purchase of English & American books

Messrs. Lewis, Wharton, Biddle, Newbold and Mitchell.

To arrange terms with those who have lost or defaced books

Messrs. Gramond & Lea

On repairs and improvements

Messrs. Willing, Lea, Biddle & Mitchell

To label books, direct the binding and replace defaced volumes.

Messrs. Hare, Wharton, Gramond and Buckley.

To purchase French, Spanish, German and Italian books.

Messrs. Willing, Hare, McCall, Biddle and Wister.

On Finance

Messrs. Biddle, Lea and Newbold.

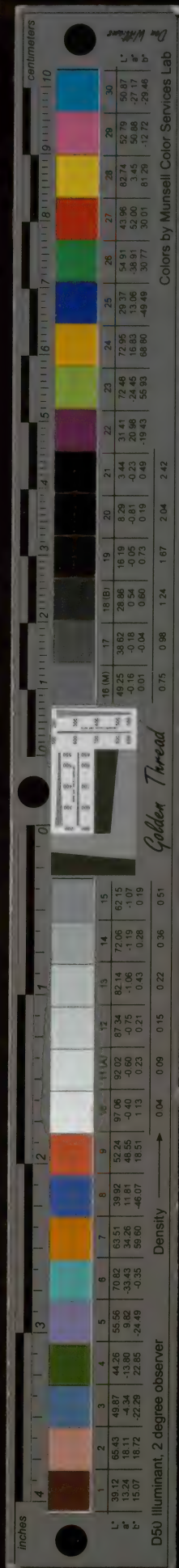
On a Fire Proof Building

Messrs. Wharton, Biddle and Newbold.

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer.

433	Librarian's Salary	3 mos.	450.
	Treasurer's	"	50.
	Assistants	"	306. 25
	2nd Assistant's	"	75.
	Secretary's	12 "	16
			<hr/> 897. 25

434	Balance due Librarian as per Report of Committee	125.65	
	Current expenses for the ensuing year, to be accounted for	<u>700.</u>	825.65
435	Drexel & Co. B. of Exchange & 200	1048.60	
	Schaefer & Koradi Books	16.20	
	do do	9.	
	J. Sabin & Co.	1.25	
	N.E. Hist. Gen Socy.	3.	
	Mag. Natural History ..	5.	
	Leary & Co.	6.	
	Journal of Philosophy	3.	
	M. J. Ellis	<u>7.</u>	1099.05
436	Charles Adams	6.	
	John Lafferty	2.75	
	J. J. Cunningham	15.	
	N. Y. Genealogical Records	2.	
	Little, Brown & Co.	5.	
	D. Appleton & Co.	9.	
	Prince Society	3.50	
	B. H. Dwight	10.20	
	Potters Am. Monthly	<u>3.00</u>	56.45
437	Daxson Building	635.35	
	Water Rent	15.	
	T. J. Burr & Co Stationery.	38.	
	Premiums of Insurance 1877	420.	
	Rent of safe in Pa Co. for Ins.	<u>5.</u>	1.113.35
438	George S. Stewart Repairs	9.90	
	Robert McKee	8.	
	Howell & Bowke	7.	
	John Gibbs	6.	
	John C. Hall	5.50	
	J. A. Riter & Co.	<u>44.41</u>	80.81



The following transfer was approved
 A. H. Gaw to Rebecca W. Gaw

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

Catalogue Library of Congress 2 vols from the Librarian
 Tuttle's Octorara Church from the Author
 The true vine " R. Case Clark

The report of the Judges of the election for Directors and Treasurer of the company was as follows:-

At an election held at the Library on Monday the 7th of May 1877 for a choice of Twelve Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia the following persons attended in person or by proxy to give their votes:-

- | | |
|-----------------------|--|
| 1. Am. L. Mackie | 20. J. R. Shelton |
| 2. Haratio S. Jones | 21. Dr. James A. McEua |
| 3. A. J. Cassatt | 22. J. M. Power Wallace |
| 4. Jas. S. Biddle | 23. Edward Hopper |
| 5. Henry Gramond | 24. Andrew C. Dulles |
| 6. Samuel Robt | 25. Charles A. Dwy |
| 7. J. Duval Redney | 26. Thomas Mason's Est. per Howard Spencer |
| 8. Louis Fassit | 27. Dr. Edward Platt |
| 9. G. M. Morton | 28. Charles H. Hart |
| 10. R. P. Morton | 29. John P. Montgomery |
| 11. Lloyd P. Smith | 30. Charles C. Rawle |
| 12. J. D. Sergeant | 31. Wm. L. McFadden |
| 13. C. J. Skille' | 32. George L. Bugby for H. Bugby's Est. |
| 14. E. R. Wood | 33. Samuel Wilson |
| 15. Joseph Parrish | 34. Henry M. Dickert |
| 16. S. A. Mc Gay | 35. Alonzo J. Douglass. |
| 17. Thos M. Cleeman | 36. Charles C. Madavia. |
| 18. H. B. Rosengarten | 37. Dr. J. H. Wache |
| 19. Edw. Redlock | Emlen Cresson |

Samuel A. Bigham

Am. Henry Rawle.

Directors

Charles Willing	41 votes
David Lewis	"
J. I. Clark Hare	"
Peter McCall	"
Henry Wharton	"
Henry Gramond	"
James S. Biddle	"
Henry C. Lea	"
John S. Newbold	"
Caspar Wister	"
Edward S. Buckley	"
S. Weir Mitchell	"

Treasurer

Lloyd P. Smith	41 votes
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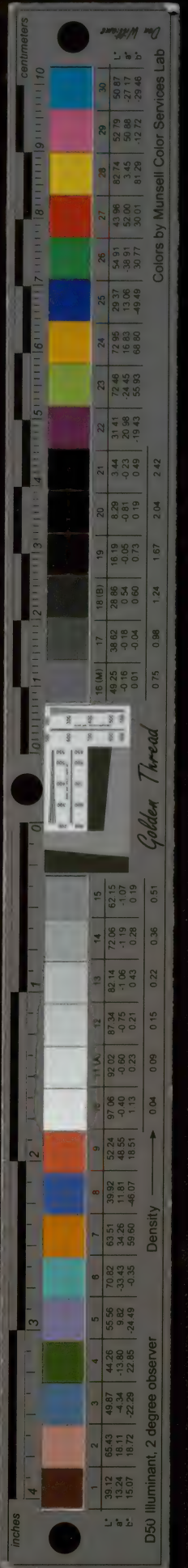
We, the subscribers testify that the above is a true state of the election of Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia held on Monday the 7th. day of May 1877 agreeably to the Charter and Laws of the said Company and that Charles Willing, David Lewis, J. I. Clark Hare, Peter McCall, Henry Wharton, Henry Gramond, James S. Biddle, Henry C. Lea, John S. Newbold, Caspar Wister, Edward S. Buckley and S. Weir Mitchell were duly elected Directors and Lloyd P. Smith, Treasurer of the said Company for the ensuing year.

Attest

Am. Henry Rawle, Secretary

J. D. Sergeant	} Judges.
C. J. Stille	

Mr. McCall and Mr. Wharton were appointed a Committee to consider the question of the right of the Company to obtain an injunction against the collector of delinquent taxes under the present state of facts,



and whether, if such proceeding can be sustained within what time a final decision can be had.

Wm Henry Rawls
Secretary

At a Special Meeting of the Directors May 21. 1877.

Present

Messrs. Willing
Lewis
McCall

Gramond
Wharton
Newbold.

Treasurer:

The Committee on Taxation reported that they had consulted Counsel who advised that the Board first ascertain from the Collector of Delinquent Taxes, whether he was or was not about to proceed against the Company.

The matter was referred back to the Committee, with power to take such action as they deem fit.

67.
At a meeting of the Directors June 7th - 1877
Present.

Messrs. Willing
Lewis
McBall
Wharton
Cramond

Biddle
Lea
Newbold
Mitchell

Secretary and Treasurer:

The minutes of the preceeding meetings were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:

Library Company \$4,217.67

Loganian 1,212.61

Building Fund 2,365.46

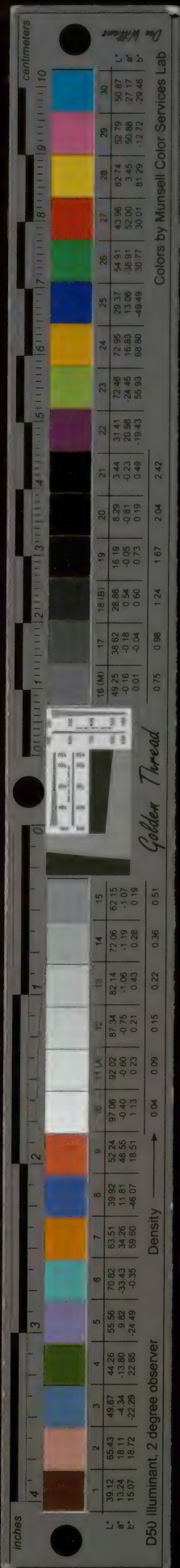
In London £83.10.6

The following transfers were approved:

Ex ^o of George M. Stroud	to	Lewis D. Vail
" William Harris	"	James B. Leonard
" Joseph Perot	"	Mary E. B. Perot

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

Proof Sheet - vols. 9.10.	from	The Publishers
Survey - 40 th Parallel Vol. 6.	"	Gen. A. A. Humphreys



Hamilton's Sermons	from	R. C. Clark
Bogan on the Passions	"	W. W. Brazier
Salmon's Light of the World	"	do.
Butz on Romans	"	R. Case Clark
Vol. of old Pamphlets	"	Mr. Potts
Pocket Almanac for 1755.	"	Fred. Schober
Collection of Pamphlets	"	Presb. Historical Society
Harry	"	Macmillan & Co
Report on Fisheries	"	The Fish Commission
The Bodley Family	"	Eliz th Mifflin
Geological Survey of Pa. 3 vols.	"	Persifer Brazier Jr.
Harrison on State Charities	"	The Author
Old & New	"	2 nd Presbyterian Church
Geological Survey of Georgia	"	The Governor

The Treasurer reported the following shares forfeited for non-payment of dues, in accordance with the Charter and Laws of the Company:-

Julian C. Case
 Alex. M. Johnson's Est.
 Augusta J. Shippen
 George W. Wollaston.

The following letter from Henry J. Williams Esq. Executor of Dr. J. Rush dec^d. and the Statement and Report therein referred to, were received: —

To the Board of Directors of the
 Philad^a Library Coy.
 Gentlemen,

By the Will of Dr. James Rush
 (a copy of which I enclose) it is provided as follows.

69.
concerning his residuary estate:

"And upon this further trust, so soon as this building is completed and ready for occupation, then in trust to convey the same, with the lot of ground whereon it is erected unto "The Philadelphia Library Company of Philadelphia," aforesaid, and their Successors, for the uses and purposes of their Library, and for no other use or purpose whatever." Subject to certain trusts, conditions, provisions and restrictions, as are therein set forth.

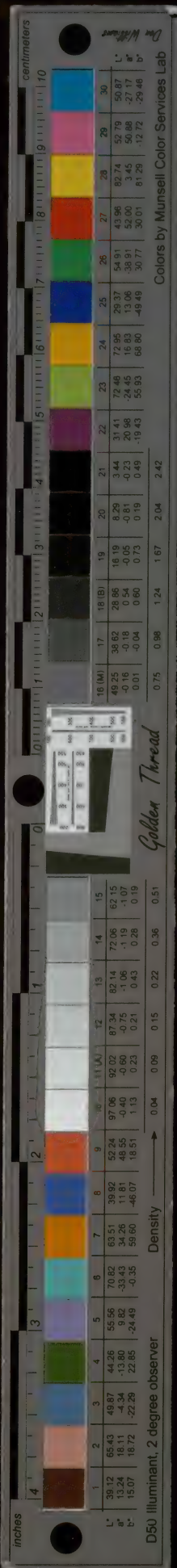
As some time may be required for the proceedings which will be necessary to entitle your Corporation to receive said conveyance if you elect to accept under the Will the devises and bequests in your favor subject to the conditions imposed, it may be well for you to know that in the latter part of the coming month, the building erected in pursuance of the directions of the Will, will be completed and ready for occupation.

At that time, if I am advised by Counsel that everything has been done by you, necessary, under the Will, and am informed that you desire to receive said building, and a conveyance of the residuary estate, I will be prepared to do what is required of me, under the Will.

I am now preparing an account of my administration under the Will, which will shortly be filed with the Register of Wills. It will show that I have substantially used all the personal property, and the proceeds of sales of the Real Estate which I have converted, in discharging the duties imposed upon me.

In addition to this certain ground rents still unsold will be required to pay what is still due for the construction of the Library Building.

In order that you may know how much of the estate remains unsold, I send you a list of the same



excluding the ground rents referred to which I must
omit.

The property specified in this schedule I will be able to
convey at the time I deliver the building.

Yours Resp'y.

Henry J. Williams

Ex^r of Dr. J. Rush

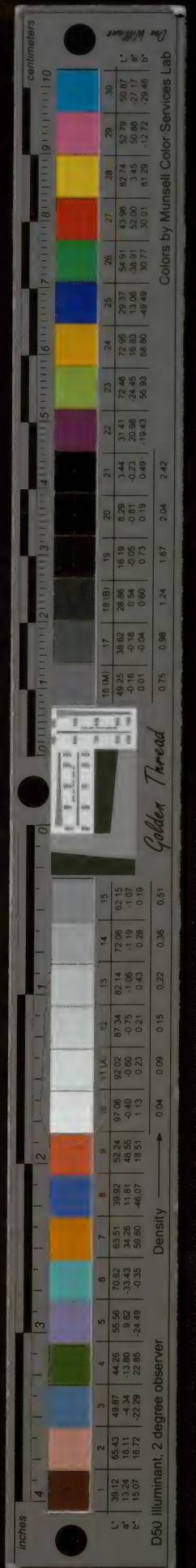
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Statement of the Real Estate belonging to the
Estate of Dr. James Rush dec^d.

May 14th A.D. 1877.

No.	Locality	Tax Valuation	Yearly Rent
1200	Gallowhill Street	\$ 6.000 -	\$ 700 -
1202	" "	20.000 -	400 -
1204	" "		450 -
1206	" "		400 -
1208	" "		400 -
4	Berlin Street	9.000 -	192 -
6	" "		168 -
4/5	South "		900 -
1/1	Blarges Court		144 -
2	" "		96 -
3	" "		96 -
4	" "		96 -
5	" "		84 -
6	" "		96 -
62	North Front Street	12.000 -	1.000 -
64/66	" " "	16.000 -	1.200 -
Forward		\$ 63.000 -	\$ 6,422 -

		Forward	\$ 63.000 -	6.422 -
139	North Front Street		7.000 -	1100 -
141	" " "		11.000 -	600 -
139	(rear of) " " "			150 -
141	" " " " "			250 -
239	" " " " "	}		400 -
239	(rear of) " " " " "		14.000 -	100 -
241	" " " " "			600 -
1	Johns Court			204 -
2	" " "			204 -
3	" " "			204 -
4	" " "			204 -
5	" " "			204 -
6	" " "			204 -
7	" " "			180 -
8	" " "			156 -
9	" " "			168 -
6141	Market Street		65.000 -	5.000 -
443	Magnolia Street		1.600 -	168 -
445	" " "		1.600 -	168 -
139	New Street		2.500 -	300 -
576	Vine Street		9.000 -	400 -
17	Pennsylvania Avenue		1.200 -	150 -
19	" " "		1.200 -	150 -
21	" " "		1.200 -	150 -
25	" " "		1.200 -	150 -
27	" " "		1.200 -	150 -
29	" " "		1.200 -	150 -
21	North Second Street	}		750 -
23	" " "		36.000 -	300 -
25	" " "			900 -
10	South Street		8.000 -	800 -
	Over		\$ 225.900 -	20.336 -



		Day valuation	Yearly Rent
	Forward	\$ 225,900 -	20,336 -
	N.E. Cor. 8 th & Cherry	18,533 33	1,600 -
148	North Eighth	16,000 -	1,800 -
150	" "	16,000 -	1,800 -
152	" "	17,000 -	2,100 -
259	North Ninth	10,500 -	960 -
330	" 12 th St.	5,500 -	500 -
332	" "	5,500 -	400 -
334	" "	5,500 -	400 -
1323	Carpenter & Library Lot	200,000 -	300 -
	Total	\$ 520,433 33	\$ 30,196 -

N.B. This Income is Subject to the following charges:

Taxes (paid for a. 10. 1877)	\$ 10,950. -
Annuities	5,680. -
Total	\$ 16,630. -

Of these Taxes \$4,500. are charged on the Library Building which will probably be released when occupied as a Public Library.

The tenants are asking for a reduction in their rents which I shall probably grant for this year, which may cause a diminution in the Income -

Henry J. Williams
Ex² of Dr. J. Rush

June 4th 1877.

Philad^a May 28. 1877

Report to Henry J. Williams Esq. of cost of
Ridgway Library. showing the balances due from this
time until completion of the work as nearly as it is prac-
-ticable to ascertain them

There has been expended on the Building and
grounds up to Feb. 15. 1877 - the date of last report \$ 611.534 -

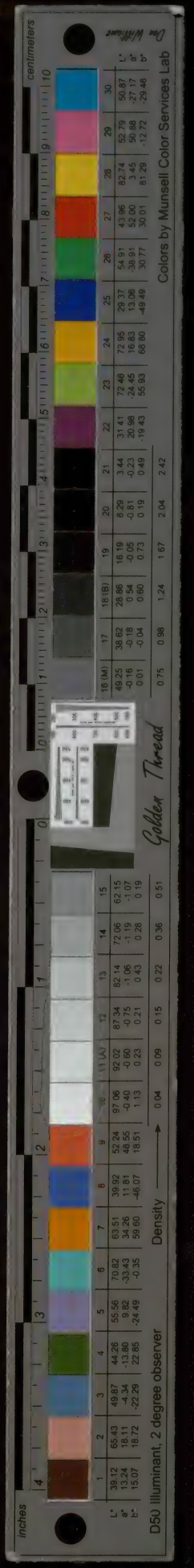
There has been paid to the various
Contractors 28.499 -
to myself 1.000 -

There remains to be paid to

Kemp & Harrison	\$ 12.000 -
Philad ^a Arch ^l - Iron Co.	500 -
Sam ^l B. Drake - bal. for paving etc	3.600 -
Pancost & Maule - including first running of the Steam boiler	1.390 -
L. W. Leeds for inspection of do.	150 -
H. Barker & Brothers - balance on original Contract.	938 -
Architect	2.000 -
	20.578 -
	\$ 661.611 -

The following Resolutions were adopted:-

Resolved. That the Secretary address to Mr.
Williams an acknowledgment of his communication



of 4th Inst. and inform him of the existence of the questions connected with taxation, of which a decision is expected in September next, and that if decided in favor of the exemption of the property of the Library Company, the likelihood that the members will accept the trust of the Rush bequest will be considerably increased, and therefore that a postponement of a decision by the Library Company, if agreeable to Mr. Williams, would be advisable.

And further, what, if any, additional steps are, in his opinion, requisite to enable the Library Company to accept the trusts of the will of Dr. Rush.

Resolved, That the opinion of Counsel, (Messrs. McMurtrie and Rawle,) be taken, as to the obligation of the Library Company, in case they accept the bequests under Dr. Rush's Will, to deposit and keep all the books in the Rush Library Building.

And also as to the right of the Library Company to the Surplus of the Estate of Dr. Rush not expended in the Building.

Further, as to the means of obtaining the opinion of the Supreme Court on these points, under the Bill already filed.

The following resolution was also adopted:—

Resolved, That the Treasurer be instructed to lay aside such a sum as may be sufficient to pay the taxes of the current year, in case its liability for taxation should be determined against them.

Wm. Rawle
Secretary

75.
At a special meeting of the Directors June 14th 1877

Present

Messrs. Milling

Cramond

Lewis

Biddle

McCall

Newbold

Wharton

Wister

Secretary and Treasurer.

The Secretary reported, that in accordance with the resolution of 7th Inst. he had sent, (with a copy of the resolution,) the following letter to Henry J. Williams Esq. Executor of Dr. James Rush:

Philad^a. June 7th 1877.

Sir,

I am instructed by the Directors of the Philadelphia Library Company to send you the enclosed resolution, which was passed this morning, at a meeting of the Board.

The questions connected with taxation therein referred to, will, it is expected, take the form of a bill filed, to restrain the Collector of Delinquent Taxes from proceeding as he threatens, to collect taxes upon the assessed value of the Library Building, and it is hoped that such action will be had as will obtain their settlement by the Supreme Court during the ensuing autumn.

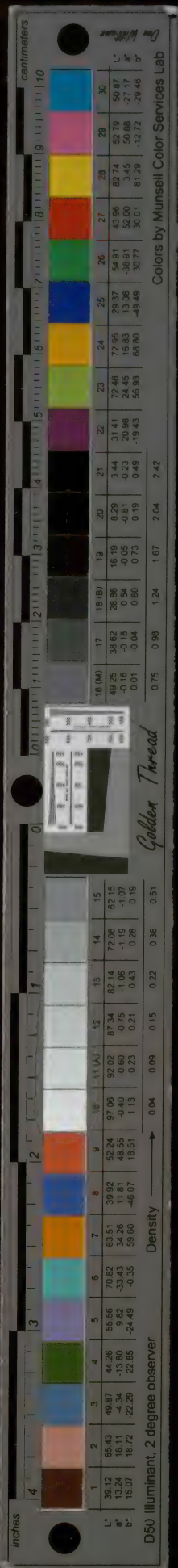
I have the honor to be

Very Respectfully Your Obedient Servt.

M^r Henry Raue

Secretary.

Henry J. Williams Esq.



The following opinion was received from Messrs. McMurtrie & Raule, in compliance with the resolution of 7th Inst.

In our opinion, the Library Company is not required to keep all their books in the building erected under the provisions of Dr. Rush's Will. It is neither a condition precedent to their right to elect to take the building, nor a condition subsequent to their right to hold it.

The Will contains certain conditions precedent, and certain conditions subsequent, but this is not among them.

The devisee is to take the property not as owner, but as a mere trustee for a charity, with the right to use the building for the purposes of its institution, with certain restrictions. No doubt, the testator expected it would use the new building as its own library building, but it requires much more than an expectation, to create that which will forfeit an estate.

The extravagance of such a doctrine would become apparent if the purpose were the founding a hospital instead of a library.

To forfeit the gift because the trustee erected and maintained a second hospital out of other funds, or opened a dispensary in another part of the town, would be evidently absurd.

It must be borne in mind that the devisee was an existing corporation, and the object of the Will was to furnish a building and endowment fund. The former was subjected to certain restrictions. The latter was to be separately administered so that its application can be distinguished.

No restraint on the use by the devisee of its existing endowment fund or property can be implied as a condition of acceptance. If so, it would extend also to the substituted

trustees who, by the Will, are to take charge of the property if the Library Company should decline. The first of these is "The Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives &c and in case of their refusal, "some other Trust company

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of the City of Philadelphia." It certainly could not be argued that whatever books of their own these companies should happen to have must be transferred to the new building.

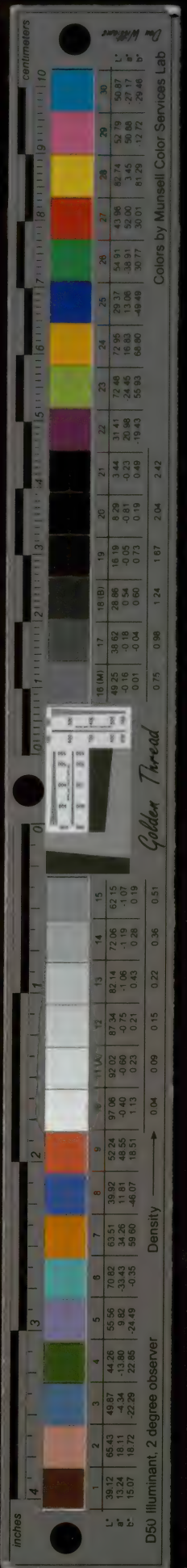
2. As to the Surplus. The testator originally devised the whole to the Library directing that out of the fund his Executor should buy a site and erect a building. Then, by a codicil, he directed the whole of the Surplus, except the annuity fund to be spent on "the erection of the Library building, construction of book cases &c."

We are of opinion, that any fund which remains by reason of the failure of the Executor to comply with this direction, must belong to the Library Company as trustee. Certainly the omission by the Executor thus to expend "the whole remainder of the estate in the purchase of a lot and the erection of the Library building, construction of book cases &c." is not such a violation by the Company of the testator's directions as to forfeit the estate.

Nor can it be deemed an undisposed of residue, for it was disposed of. The devisee had no voice in the matter, and is not to blame for the result. It was really impracticable to do what was directed, unless this surplus was to be wasted by unnecessary expenditures for the mere purpose of exhausting it.

The case is really this: A general devise is followed by a direction to another to expend a portion of the devised estate on a building, which is then to go to the devisee. We do not see anything here like a revocation of the general devise, but simply a trust to dispose of a part for the benefit of the devisee, which, by the omission of the Executor, has become impossible in the precise manner pointed out.

3. To obtain a decision of the Supreme Court must occupy some time, and will be impossible unless some of the parties will appeal. That Court has



no original jurisdiction. The questions are so varied from those intended to be raised by the former bill, that it would be as convenient to file a new bill, as to attempt to revive that which was dismissed without even a hearing on any point but the right to an injunction to restrain the erection of the building in a particular place.

But we are far from recommending any initiation by the Library Company of litigation of any kind. It might raise issues which otherwise would not be raised, and would certainly produce painful feeling.

R. C. McMurtrie

Wm Henry Rawle

Philad^a. June 14th 1877.

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary.

At a meeting of the Directors July 5th 1877.

Present
Messrs. Willing Biddle
Cramond Lea
Secretary and Treasurer.

The minutes of the preceding meetings were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:

Library Company	\$5.236.	
Less reserved for Taxes	<u>1.400.</u>	\$3.836. -

Loganian	1.473.94
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Building Fund	2.365.46
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The following transfers were approved:

Ex ^r of Jacob Ridgway	to	James M. Rhoads
Adm ^r of Ann Lehman Wells	"	Dr. William L. Wells
John B. Biddle	"	Elizabeth R. Biddle.

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

Macaulay's England 2 vols	from	M. & H. Moses
Survey of the Territories 2 vols.	"	Secy. of Interior
Report of Board of Health	"	Massachusetts Board
Bible Book of Common Prayer	"	W. R. Lejee
Condensed History of Phila.	"	E. A. Goffin
5. Centennial Pamphlets	"	Horace J. Smith

Report Com ^r of Patents	from	The Commissioner
The Groth Meyer	"	Dep ^t of Interior
Congressional Docs. 55 Vols	"	Secy. of Interior
Carte Blanche de France	"	John J. Montgomery

The following forfeited shares were restored upon the payment of past dues:

Julian C. Hare
George Randolph

The following letter from Henry J. Williams Esq. Executor of Dr. James Rush dec^d was received:

Gentlemen,

I acknowledge the receipt of the letter of your Secretary dated June 7. 1877. enclosing a resolution of the Board of Directors of the Phil^a Library Co. in relation to the acceptance of the Library Building erected under the Will of Dr. J. Rush.

As there seems to be some doubt on this subject I have determined, under the advice of Counsel, to have the question settled by the Court and shall therefore file a bill praying instructions in this matter as soon as it can be prepared.

I would not presume to say whether the Library have fulfilled the demands of Dr. Rush's Will, or not but will leave it to be decided by the proper authority

Very Respy. Yrs.

Henry J. Williams

Ex^r of Dr. Rush

July 1. 1877

To the Directors
of the Phil^a Library Co.

The following resolution was adopted:

81.
Resolved. That the Secretary be instructed to acknowledge Mr. William's note of July 1st and to express the desire of the Library Company to join him in facilitating the settlement of the points alluded to, in any mode agreeable to him.

Permission was given to the Librarian to close the Library from August 3rd to 24th inclusive

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary

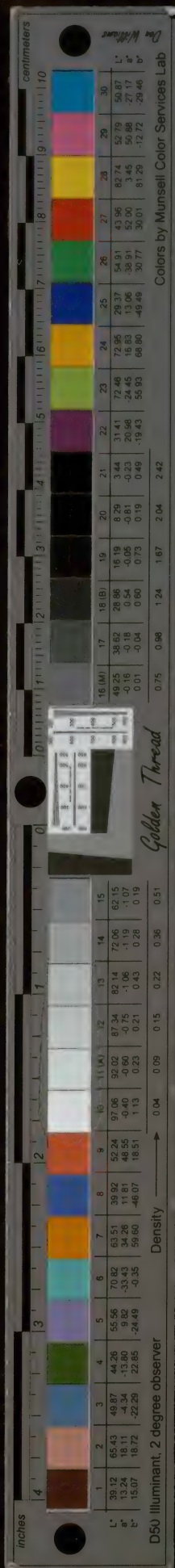
At a meeting of the Directors August 2 1877.
Present Messrs: Leonard Biddle
Histar Newbold
McCall Wharton
Lea and Treasurer.

The following letter from John L. Dubois Esq. was read
" Doylestown Pa. June 5 1877.

" Lloyd P. Smith, Esq.,

Dear Sir

The hearing before the Coms. took place this morning. The owners of the land were represented. Some of them were present. Mr. Ross appeared for Mr. Beaumont who was the most interested. We had quite a contest. After the Coms. decided that the land owners should pay the taxes, then Mr. Ross asked that our interest should be taxed and this deducted. I objected on the ground that if our rent is taxable, then it should be taxed in Phila. not in Bucks Co, but I stated that there was a question whether it was taxable. If in Bucks Co. Then it should be valued at $\frac{1}{3}$ - say \$3.00, and upon this sum the tax should be assessed for you. I contended that Bucks Co. had nothing to do



"with taxing our rent, the Coms. agreed with me upon every
 "point I made and now the taxes are all put on the land owners
 "and the County has not taxed our rent or interest. I suppose
 "the matter will now end. The atty. for the Coms. agreed with
 "me and I suppose instructed them to decide in my favor. This will
 "save the Library Co. about \$300 a year, and perhaps more as we are
 "about to erect a new Court House and the tax may be higher.

Yours Truly
 J. L. DuBois "

The Secretary reported that he had sent the following letter:-
 "Philadelphia July 5th. 1877

Dear Sir

"I am instructed by the Library Company to ack-
 "nowledge the receipt of your note of the 1st inst, and express their
 "cordial desire to do everything to facilitate the settlement of the
 "questions you refer to, in the manner most agreeable to yourself.

I am, sir, very respectfully,
 Wm Henry Rawle

"Henry L. Williams, Esq."

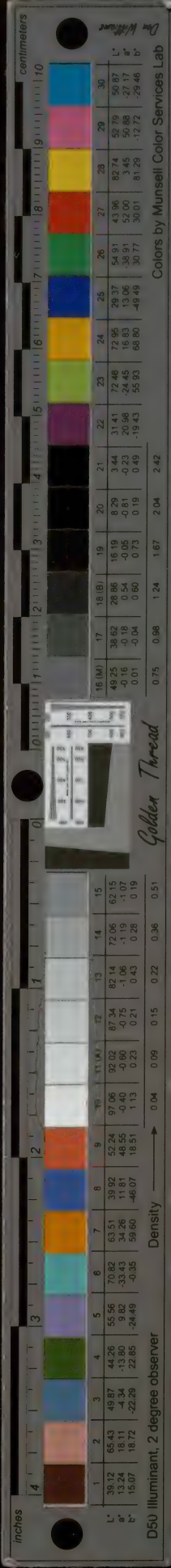
The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer:-

439	Librarian's Salary 3 mos:	450.	
	Treasurers " "	50.	
	Assistants " "	306.25	
	2nd. " " "	75.	881.25
440	George F. Nixon Books	3.50	
	J. Costa " "	7.50	
	Southern Review	5.12	
	Leary & Co. " "	4.50	
	James K. Simon " "	5.00	
	American Metric Bureau	2.50	
	Academy Natural Sciences	2.50	
	John Lafferty	8.00	
	Moravian Historical Socy.	6.00	
	Penn Monthly	3.00	4762

441	Claxton Remson & Haffelfinger	books	364.67	
	Schafer & Koradi	"	12.20	
	H. B. Zieher		143.	
	Jno. Pennington & Son		47.25	
	Henry C. Baird		23.84	
	Porter & Coates		157.65	
	Banker's Magazine		5.00	
	Historical Society		3.00	
	J. B. Lippincott & Co.		341.75	
	Drexel & Co.	Books	103.31	1,201.67
442	Pawson & Nicholson	Binding	717.15	
	T. K. Collins	Printing	84.68	
	Moss & Co.	Stationery	19.14	
	North American	Newspaper	4.50	
	H. W. Harding	Advg.	33.45	
	Evening Bulletin		24.50	
	North American		31.35	
	Am. Dist. Telegraph Rent		18.	932.77
443	G. K. Cook & Co	Stamp	2.	
	J. H. Weston & Son	Stationery	4.	
	G. Santee	picture frames	1.30	
	H. L. Hicks	Repairs	9.45	
	J. M. Stetter		72.00	
	Pegley & Co.		1.55	
	James S. Earle		1.50	
	R. P. Johnson		2.50	94.30
				3,157.61

Henry Earle

Secretary



At a Meeting of the Directors September 4 1877

Present Messrs. Milling Biddle

Newbold, Lea, Wister

and Treasurer

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands

Balance Library Co. 3.237.67

Less reserved for Taxes 1,400.00 1,837.67

Balance Logarithm 1,221.82

" Building Fund 3,976.82

" in London £ 54.11. 4.

" " Paris fr. 503.31

The following transfers were approved:-

Exr. Jacob M. Douglas to Alonzo P. Douglas

Admr. Garret Van Gelder .. Charles E. Ellis

M. M. Schwat " Beauveau Borie.

The following letter from Alfred E. Lewis was read:-

"Hieford Pike Co. Pa

August 28th 1877.

Lloyd P. Smith Esq. -

Secretary etc. Dear Sir:-

As the subject of the removal of the library to the edifice on Broad St. is still (as I understand) undetermined, I wish to make a suggestion, which I have heretofore made, verbally, to one of your directors, Capt. J. S. Biddle.

In executing all testamentary dispositions, the "true intent and meaning" of the testator is collected, not only from the precise language in which the bequest is clothed, but also in such other collateral directions as may serve to throw light on his real wishes. It seems to me tolerably clear that Dr. Rush intended to exclude from his proposed structure all (or nearly all) books of fiction together with other merely

ephemeral works of Biography, essays of temporary interest and miscellaneous literature, such as monthly magazines, &c. His contempt for this class of publications was undisguised and it seems clear that it could not have been in his mind to devote any space in the "Ridgway Branch" to this kind of works. My conclusion is, therefore, that it would best harmonize the wishes of the testator with the enduring interests of the "Philadelphia Library" to remove to the Broad St. building only works of permanent interest, and substantial value and leave to the old Library building the class of ephemeral publications above described - I am with great respect

Very truly yours

Alfred E. Lewis"

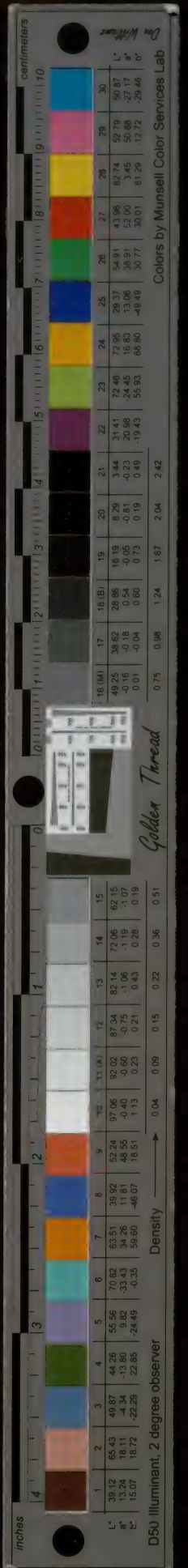
The Librarian was given permission when in London to return the British Patents to the Commission.

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

The Christa	from	S. A. Allibone
Cunningham's life	"	R. C. Clark
Strong's Harmony	"	"
Griffith's Sermons	"	"
2 Vols. Pamphlets	"	"
George Wishart's life	"	"
Griffith's Sermons	"	"
Caleb Cresson's diary	"	Chas. Cresson
Count of Electoral votes	"	Hon. S. J. Randall
Caxton's dictes (reprint)	"	J. G. Roengarten.
New Testamentum	"	R. C. Clark
Catalogue Library of Interior	"	Secy. of Interior
John Welsch's Professorship	"	J. Freund.

Henry Rawle

Secretary.



At a meeting of the Directors October 4, 1877

Present: Messrs:- Lewis

Wharton

Granmond

Biddle

Lea

Newbold

Mister

and Secretary.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved

By reason of the absence of the Treasurer in Europe, there was not the usual monthly Treasurers Report.

The following transfers were approved:

Louis M. Simpson to Mrs. Beckie Hilling Spencer.

R. S. Cassatt to J. Quincy Carpenter.

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:- from R. C. Clark

Die Lehre vom heiligen geiste

Commentar über das Evangelium des Johannes

On revival preaching

Harold by Fenryson

Canon of New Testament

Christian life

Commentary of Yodet on John Vol. 2

" " Meyer " New Testament

Lightfoot on Colossians

Authenticity of John's Gospel

Victory of Satan

Bampton Lectures 1877.

Christianity and Morality from R. E. Clark.
 History of English Bible versions " "
 My father's house " "
 Church of Christ " "
 Four witnesses " "
 The old and the New " "
 History of Newcastle upon Tyne 2 vols. from R. S. Cassatt.
 Harleian Miscellany " "
 14 vols. Daily Bulletin Signal Office " Chief Officer
 American Ephemeris 1880 " Secy of Navy.
 Papal system By batheast " Author
 Baptists & the Revolution " "
 Trans. of the College of Physicians " College
 Report New York Canals " J. D. Van Buren
 Wentworth's Iron trade directory " H. C. Baird
 U. S. Geological survey. 2 vols " the Government
 Report on Chinese immigration " "
 Message & Documents 9 vols. " "
 U. S. Fish Commission " "
 Commerce & Navigation 2 vols. " "
 Finance Report " "
 Commercial relations " "
 Digest of Opinions Attorney General " "
 Map of the seat of war in the East. " "
 Report of U. S. Geol^y Survey of the territories Vol. XI "

On motion it was Resolved That during the temporary absence of the Librarian and Treasurer, James S. Biddle, Esq. Chairman of the Finance Committee be authorized to draw from the Perry Evans Company for Insurance on lives and granting annuities any monies belonging to the Library Company deposited there in the name of the Treasurer and pay out the same on any proposed investment and the Secretary be authorized



under his direction to affix the corporate seal to all documents to be executed by the Company.

Wm. R. R. R.
Secretary.

At a meeting of the Directors Nov. 1 1874

Present Messrs McCull Newbold
Wharton Wister
Cramond Mitchell
Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands

Balance Library Co.	3,417.67	
Less reserved for taxes	1400.	2017.67

Balance Logarithmic Library	1821.82
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Balance Building Fund	3,976.82
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Balance In London	£ 125.17/4
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" " Paris	fr. 503.67
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The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer.

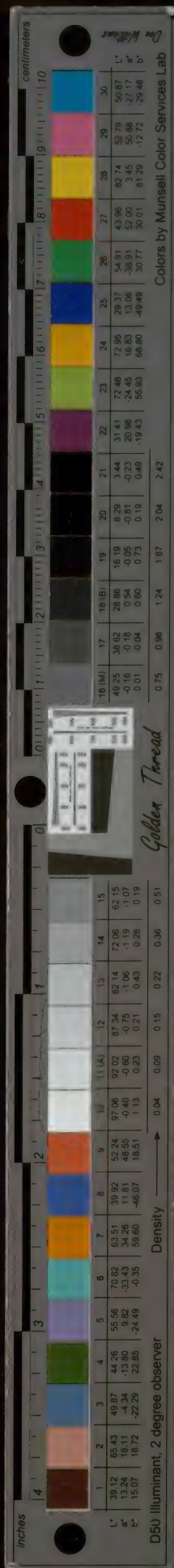
1444 Librarian's Salary	3 mos.	450.
Treasurer's	" "	50.
Assistants	" "	306.25
2nd Assistants	" "	75. 881.25

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445	J. H. Borton	Books	6.	
	Jas Lafferty	"	3.75	
	Edw. G. Allen	£16 Stading	50.46	
	Dravel & Co.	£50 remitted B.H. Stearns	253.97	
	Mrs. Ellis	Books	2.25	
	John B. Linn		2.	
	Polytechnic Review		3.	
	Little, Brown & Co.		5.	326.43
446	Collins West	Repairs	7.75	
	George S. Stewart		4.	
	Margaret Gibbs	bleaming Books	58.50	
	Verning & Son	Repairs	4.50	
	"	"	2.	
	North American	advg.	16.65	
	Inquirer		12.75	
	Evening Bulletin		14.87	121.02

The Librarian presented the following report:-

"The Librarian reports that in accordance with the permission granted by the Board in September he attended the International Conference of Librarians at London on the 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th of October. He had the honor of being elected one of the Vice Presidents and took an active part in the proceedings. He visited among others the British Museum Library where Mr. Porter the Deputy keeper of the printed books, the highest official present was kind enough to give him several hours of his time and to show him through the various departments, explaining the method of cataloguing, arranging, binding &c. Here your librarian gained information in regard to fire proof shelving which may be valuable in future. At the invitation of the Rev. H. Cove, Librarian of the Bodleian Library a visit was paid to Oxford. Mr. Cove gave your librarian three hours of his valuable time,



throwing open the manuscript Treasures, and inculcating the details of its management. A like courtesy was extended by the officials of the Bibliothèque Nationale at Paris.

One result of these visits is that your Librarian's growing conviction that the books of this library should be arranged on the shelves by subjects has been strengthened and whenever sufficient shelf room can be afforded he will lay before the board a plan to effect that object.

The question of binding came up before the convention and the opinion was general that morocco is the best material for that purpose. Your Librarian however is not entirely satisfied on that subject and has called upon the Library Company's binders Messrs Pauson & Nicholson for a written report on it which will be ready to be laid before the board at its next meeting. In the meantime he has caused a number of books to be bound in ~~black~~ buckram a material at once durable and cheap. They are expected in a few days from London.

The Librarian made a few purchases of books in London especially a good work on costume which has ^{long} been wanted here. He had hoped to get some additional examples of illuminated MSS. but he found prices had gone up beyond all reason, and was obliged to refrain.

The most useful result of the trip, however, was the final settlement of the difficulty which the Company got into twenty years ago by accepting a set of the British Patent Office publications with an agreement to bind. In accordance with the permission given by the Board an arrangement was entered into in London with the Rev. Mr. Vickars Librarian of the Public Library of Cincinnati to take the entire set off of our hands and refund us the sum of \$1000 being about the amount already paid out for binding, freight, and storage on

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London. The latter onerous item of expense has ceased, an order having been given on Mr. Stevens to hold the numbers in his possession subject to Mr. Vickar's order. The above arrangement has been sanctioned by the British Commission of Patents and the Company is now relieved of this embarrassment. The courtesy shown to the American delegation will long be remembered. The Lord Mayor of London gave a banquet to the members of the convention at the Mansion House. They were also entertained at Guild Hall and at the official residence of the Librarian of the British Museum, while the Vice Presidents were admitted to all the privileges of the Athenaeum Club. Private houses were freely thrown open so that to all the Americans the visit was no less agreeable than instructive."

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Swaynes' Obstetric Aphorisms	from R. C. Clark
Newton's Morals of Trade	" Wm. Duane
Annals of Calais	" Francis S. Pike.
Sketch of Major James Patt	" Thomas H. Potts
Parry Family Records	" Dr. Geo. R. Parry.
West coast of Africa	" Com. R. H. Hyman
Meigs History of Pa. Hospital	" Lloyd P. Smith
Proceedings Bunker Hill Association	The Association
Life of Col. John Nixon	" Chas. H. Hart
The Bunting family	" Caroline B. Folwell
Myer on Acts	" R. C. Clark
Navigation of the Caribbean Sea	Com. Hyman
Delitzsch on Canticles	" R. C. Clark
Transactions Medical Congress	Dr. J. Askurst Jr.
Fisker's Beginnings of Christianity	R. C. Clark

Masquetier's Sociology from the author
 Godet on the new Testament from the author.

Wm Henry Lowe
 Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors December 6th 1877

Present Messrs.	Lewis	Lea
	McCall	Newbold
	Wharton	Wester
	Gramond	Buckley
	Biddle	Secretary and Treasurer

The Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:-

Balance Library Company	2588.93
Less reserved for Taxes	<u>1400.00</u> 1188.93
" Logarithm	1181.25
" Building Fund	4638.87
" in London	£125,17.7.

Messrs Biddle and Newbold were appointed a committee to examine the accounts between the Library Company and The Logarithm Library.

The following transfers were approved:-

R. H. Yarnall Jr. to Ellis Yarnall
 Elizabeth Baeder to R. Francis Colton
 Exr Mary M. Henry to Alexander Wood

Gertrude A. Quimby to Lavinia Patterson
 Fanny E. Brooks " Emma H. Brooks

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Quaint's Catalogue from the publisher.

Report of Silver Commission " A. C. Harman.

Lord Byron vindicated " the author

Navigation of the English Channel from the Hydrographic Bureau

Bulletin du Bibliophile " " publisher

Life of Lafayette " Mad. de Sasteyrie

Luther et la reforme " the Comtesse de Gasparini

Chaucer on the Astrolabe " J. Parker Norris

Collier, Coleridge & Shakespeare " " "

Kansas Agricultural Report " Mr Cargill

Report Water Department " Chief Engineer

N. York Report on Railroads " State Engineer

Anecdotes of Napoleon " R. Cass Clark

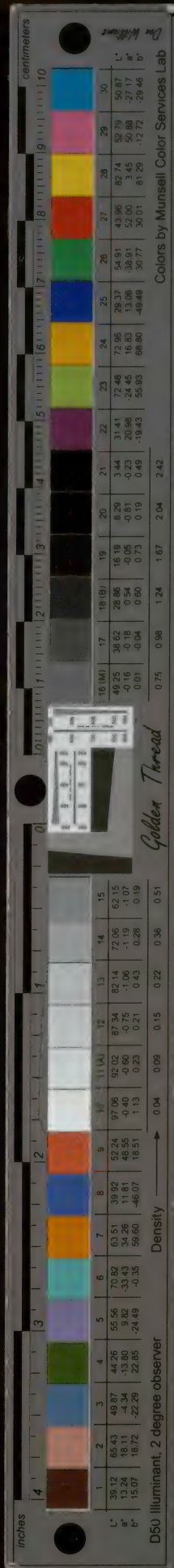
Report U.S. Coast Survey " the Superintendent

U.S. Geographical Survey Vol 4 " Gen. A. A. Humphreys.

Mr. McCall presented a letter from Francis Sims (709 Pine St.) to himself, dated Nov. 20, 1877, asking, on behalf of one of the children of Rear Admiral Paulding, to have one of the duplicate copies of "The Cruise of the Dolphin", written by the Admiral when Lieutenant Paulding, the author's house and books having been destroyed by fire.

The directors agreed to comply with the request.

Wm. L. Lane
 Librarian



At a Meeting of the Directors January 3/1878
 Present Messrs Willing
 Ware

Crandon

Newbold

Wister

Buckley

Mitchell

Secretary

The Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:-

Balance Library Co.	2,831. 67
" Logarithm	1,181. 25
" Building Fund	4,892. 87
" on London	£125. 17. 4.

The following Transfer was approved

J. Gordon Brincklee to Samuel C. Brincklee M.D.

The Treasurer reported the case of J. D. Reinboth tenant who is in arrears since July 1 1877 and probably is unable to pay. Another tenant can, now, be had, and authority was given the Treasurer to give notice to quit.

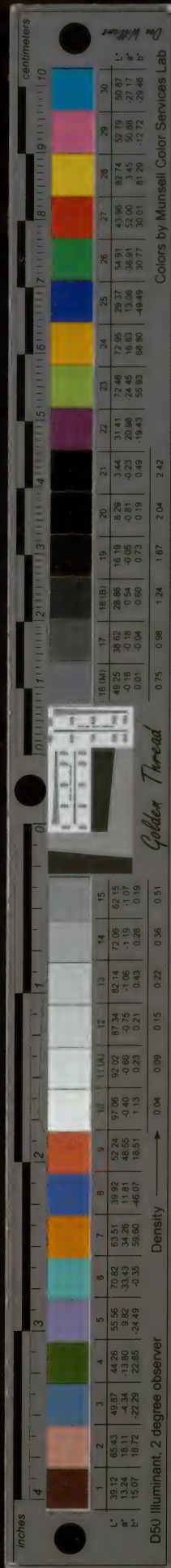
The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Penna. Legislative Docs. 6 vols.	from Secy of Commonwealth
U. S. Coast Survey Catalogue	" the Superintendent.
The Diller family	" J. S. Ringwalt.
Catalogue Lenox Library	" the trustees

Exploration 40th parallel from Gen. A. A. Humphreys
 Year Book of facts vols. " Prof. Frazer.
 King on ships of war " Secy of the Navy.
 Docs. relating to N. York vol 12 " Gov. of N. York.
 Historic mansions of Phila. " Porter & Coates
 Photographs of Philadelphia " Am. Curtis Taylor.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to
 examine the accounts between this Company and
 the Logonian Library reported that they had per-
 formed that duty and found that a balance of
 \$646.91 was due by the Logonian Library to the
 Library Company on January 1st 1878.

M. M. Lawrence
 Secretary



At a Special Meeting of the Directors February 1. 1878

Present Messrs. Hilling
McCall
Horton
Biddle
Newbold
Buckley

and Treasurer

The Treasurer presented the following letter dated Jan. 28/78 from Henry J. Williams, Esq. to himself:

"Dear Sir

I notice that Mr. Gilpin's Library is to be sold on Monday Feb'y 11. I presume there are some books which it wd. be desirable for the Library to have, and as I have \$4000 which I can spare I offer it to them to make any purchases they may select upon condition that the Co'y. will agree if they do not accept the Library Building of Dr. Rush, they will hand over their purchases to me with any balance they have left.

Yours respy

Henry J. Williams

Exr. of Dr. J. Rush "

"L. P. Smith Esq."

To which the Treasurer replied the next day as follows

"Jan'y. 29. 1878

Dear Sir:

Your much esteemed favor of 28th inst kindly offering \$4000 to the Library Co. for the purpose of buying books at Mr. Gilpin's sale on condition that the same be returned if the Co. do not accept the new Library Building is at hand.

I will take great pleasure in laying your letter before the Board at their next meeting

Yours respy
H. J. Williams Esq.

Lloyd P. Smith Treas.

On the 30th of Jan'y. Mr. Williams again wrote:-

"My dear Sir

You speak of returning the money, if you do not accept the bequest, I meant to say and think I did so, that you are to give up the Books you may purchase and any balance which may remain unused in your hands

Yours Respy.

H. J. Williams

Jan. 30. '78.

Mr. L. P. Smith.

And thereupon the Treasurer was directed to send to Mr. Williams the following letter:-

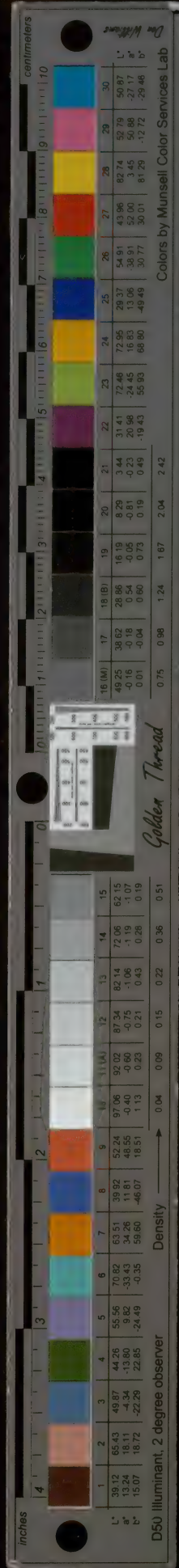
"Feb'y 1. 1878"

My Dear Sir

Your two communications of 28 + 30th ult. were laid before the Directors at a special meeting held at 1 o'clock to day and I am instructed to thank you for your kind offer to advance \$2000. for the purchase of books at the approaching sale of Mr. Gilpin's library and to say that the same is gladly accepted. I am also authorized to execute an obligation on the part of the Library Co. that in case they do not undertake the trust created by the will of Dr. Rush they will hand over to you all books purchased as proposed together with any unexpended balance of money.

The Board suggest that as well to keep all such purchases entirely separate from the Books belonging to the Company as because of want of room in the present building they be deposited for the present in the new building on Broad St. in your custody.

The Directors also beg that if there are any books in the Gilpin catalogue which in your judgment it is specially desirable to purchase, you will be kind enough to point them out. The greater part of Mr. Gilpin's books are standard works which, of course we



already have but I have marked many desirable lots
say about 500 volumes which the Board have authorized
me to bid for.

Yours Respy.

Lloyd P. Smith

"Army J. Williams Esq

Director"

Dear

Wm. L. Smith
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors February 7th 1878.

Present Messrs. Gramond

Wharton

Bidale

Hare

Hister

Newbold

Buckley

Treasurer
and Secretary

The Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved

The Treasurer reported the following balances on his hands:-

Balance Library Co.	\$ 3,305.67	
Less reserved for taxes	<u>1,400.</u>	\$ 1,905.67
Balance Logarithm		1,181.25
Building Fund		5,072.87
Advanced by Dr. Rush & Est.		14,000.00
Balance in London		£ 46.16.2.

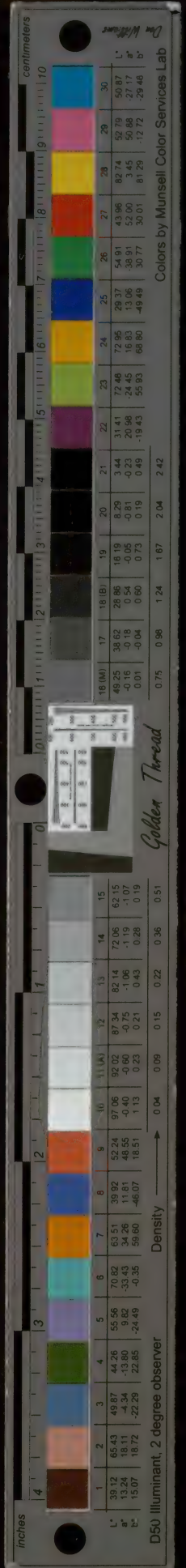
The following Transfers were approved:

Exrs. Benj. P. Hunt to W. J. H. Ruschenbarger.

Anna Hancock to Theresa Scott
 Exr. Edw. Pleasants " Henry S. Loubser
 Exr. Eliza H. Blake " Julia F. Hayes
 Charles E. Ellis " John Wright
 Howard Van Coudt " Maria E. Newbold

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer:

447	Franklin Institute	Books	5.	
	Journal Spec. Philosophy	"	3.	
	Academy Nat. Sciences	"	5.	
	William D. Allen	"	40	
	B. Bauer	"	10.40	
	Porter & Coates	"	48.53	
	J. B. Lippincott & Co.	"	244.12	
	J. Pennington & Son.		56.30	
	John Clement		4	
	J. H. Hornars		5.	381.75
448	Schaefer & Koradi	"	5.40	
	F. Leydelt	"	5.	
	N. Y. World		50	
	M. L. Lytle		2.	
	F. M. Ellis		2.10	
	L. B. Thomas		2.25	
	J. D. Ruff		.50	
	Claxton Remsen & Co.		272.11	
	J. K. Simons		4.	293.86
449	Pawson & Nicholson	Binding	471.17	
	J. K. Collins	Printing	41.67	
	N. American	Sub ⁿ	4.50	
	Moss & Co.	Stationery	19.97	
	Porter & Co.	Tru Box	2.25	539.56
450	Pegley & Son	Repairs	8.50	
	H. Monheimer	"	3.	
	Collins West	"	11.	



	Howell & Bourke repairs	19.35	
	Maetague & Son	5.75	
	Collins West	80.75	
	Chas. H. Smith	<u>47.20</u>	175.
451	Librarian's Salary 3 mos. 1/2 ind	450.	
	Treasurer's	50.	
	Assistant's	306.25	
	2 Assistant	<u>75.</u>	881.

The Librarian reported that he had received from Henry J. Williams, Esq. \$4000. to be used in buying books at Mr. Gifford's sale and that Mr. Williams has given permission to store all such purchases, for the present in the new building on Broad Street. A special deposit was made of the money in the Pennsylvania Company for Insurance on Lives &c. in the name of Lloyd P. Smith Librarian.

The Librarian was authorized to make a reduction of \$350 a year on the total rents of the tenants on the first floor of the Law Buildings.

The Treasurer was instructed to apply to the Board of Revision of Taxes for a reduction in the assessment (now \$30000) on the Law Buildings.

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors;—

Report of Ohio Auditor of State from the Auditor.	
" " Board of State Charities	Massachusetts Board
" " Chief of Engineers	" Gen. Humphreys
Proceedings Am. Pharmacu' Assoc.	" The Association
Batterson's Poems	" The author
Memoirs Hon. J. J. Jamison	" B. K. Jamison

Cooper on Forest Culture from Horace J. Smith
Penna. Archives vol 5 " Secy of Commonwealth
Journal of Councils 13vols. " City Councils
Lives of the Lewises " Mrs Delafield
Paine's Common Sense, &c. " J. G. Thompson
" " " " " Clark

Library Co of Philad^a

N.W. Cor. Locust & Juniper Sts.

Philadelphia Feb 5 1885

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Casper Morris Est. " Caspar Morris
Louis Belrose Jr " John Heill
Fanny H. Dulles Est. " Wm Dulles
Alfred English " C. Davis English

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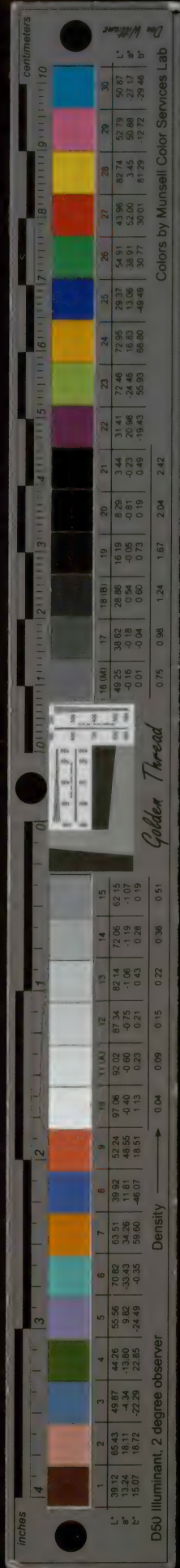
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Gentlemen

We have the satisfaction of
informing you that in the matter of the litigation connected
with your claim for exemption from taxation, such proceedings



Howell & Bourke	repairs	19.35	
Maetague & Son	"	5.75	
Collins West		80.75	
Chas. H. Smith		<u>47.20</u>	175

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 Panar In the days of my youth " R. C. Clark
 Patterson's Visions of Heaven " "
 Report on Commerce & Navigation " Bureau of Statistics
 Wheeler's Geological Surveys " the author
 Congressional Globe vol. 6 " S. J. Randall
 Minutes of the Grand Lodge of Penna. " J. B. Nicholson
 Stocks dealt in at Phila. Exchange " R. G. Hadbury
 Statistics relating to wool. " "
 Washington Observations for 1875 " Naval Observatory
 Specimens of languages " The Bible Society.

Henry Raible
 Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors March 7th 1878.
 Present Messrs. Willim, McCall, Wharton, Gammon,
 Biddle, Hewber, Witz, Buckley Mitchell,
 Secy & Treasr

The Minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The following letter from counsel was read:-

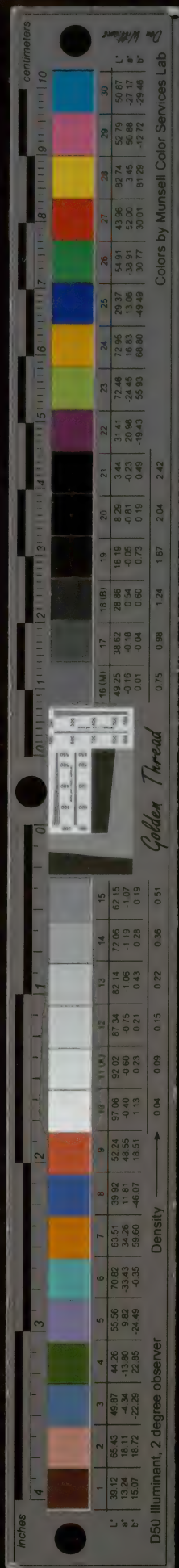
"710 Walnut Street"

Philadelphia March 7. 1878.

To the Directors of The Library Company of Philadelphia

Gentlemen

We have the satisfaction of
 informing you that in the matter of the litigation connected
 with your claim for exemption from taxation, such proceedings



have been had that, on the 4th inst., the Supreme Court affirmed the decree of the Court of Common Pleas No. 2, which enjoined the collection of the tax, so that your right to exemption is now finally settled both for the past and future.

Very Respectfully

R. E. McMurtrie

Wm. Henry Raule."

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands,

Balance Library Company	\$1472.67
" Legation	286.60
" Building Fund	5277.00

Augusta T. Shippen asked to have her share (forfeited in 1876) restored on payment of back dues, which was granted.

The Librarian reported the following correspondence as having taken place between H. J. Williams Esq. & himself.

"Phila. Feby 19/1878"

Dear Sir

I bought at the sale of Mr. Giesbre's books about 850 volumes costing - I have not yet received the bill - about \$1000. Some of the books which I had marked went so high that I did not feel justified in buying them. Our principal competitor was the Lehigh University, who were authorized by Mr. Asa Packer to make unlimited bids for anything they wanted. Nevertheless, I got many desirable books, including several hundred volumes of pamphlets, many of great historical value, Panzer's Annales typographicae (11 vols, 4to) and some works in modern Greek, and many Latin books not in the Philadelphia Library.

I have ordered the books boxed up and should like to deliver them at the Ridgway Library on Thursday if convenient. I suggest that the custodian of that building should call on me

at the Library and fix a time when he will receive them.

A special deposit has been made in the Penna. Co. for Insurance on Lives of the \$4000. handed me, and, after paying the bill, the balance will be subject to your order at any time

Very respectfully yours

Lloyd P. Smith Librarian

Dear Sir

I am sorry you were not more successful in your purchases. If you will let your porter stop at the gate on Carpenter Street leading into the small house on the Library lot, you will find James Winning who has charge of the Library and he will receive the books on any day most convenient to you. I shall be there myself on Thursday morning after 10 o'clock and will give him instructions to receive them. I take it for granted that you have seen the new bill filed by Major Manners. It is a new phase the matter takes and I think it will be better after paying the cost of the books to return the money to the estate. This will keep the matter open for some time.

Yours up 4

H. J. Williams

Feb. 20. 1878

1307 Walnut St.

L. P. Smith Esq.

Philada. Library.

Feb. 23 1878.

Dear Sir

I enclose the receipted bill for my purchases at Mr. Gilpin's sale amounting to \$1042.52 together with my check for the balance \$2457.48. receipt of

which please acknowledge. I found it was impossible for me to attend the sale every day from 2 o'clock until 10 for a week and I therefore engaged an expert Mr. Edwin S. Stuart, to bid for me. He secured four fifths of the books I had marked, including nearly all we particularly wanted, and he got them cheap. His judgment and experience in bidding have doubtless saved us far more than his commission.

I sent my assistant to the Ridgway Library yesterday to check off the books by the Invoice. He spent three hours in arranging them and was afraid to stay longer, lest he should take cold. Mr. Stuart compared them with the Bill before sending them down to the Library and he assures me every volume is there. If not he is amply responsible for any discrepancy.

Major Manners' unexpected action will, I fear, cause a long delay, which is, of course, to be regretted.

Very respy.

Lloyd P. Smith

"Librarian"

"My dear Sir

When I filed my account as the Secy of Dr. Rush, I supposed all the expenses of the Building of the Library had been paid, but unfortunately I have found that not to be the fact. and I shall be obliged to put on it an entire new roof which will cost \$4000 nearly. The cause of this new and unexpected expense is in a mistake of Mr. Hutton in causing the tin of the roof to be placed upon a bed of cement which has corroded the tin to such an extent that it no longer affords protection against the weather.

This is explained in letter to me of which I enclose a copy.

I think it right to let the Board of Directors of the Library know this unfortunate event before they finally make up their minds to accept or reject the trusts of Dr. Rush.

will. Please lay this letter and its enclosure
before the Board of Directors

Yours respy.

Henry J. Williams

Mr. L. P. Smith

March 1st 1878.

Librarian.

Phila. Monday Feby. 25th 1878

My Dear Sir

Your note of Feby. 23 is just rec'd, the defects
in the roof of the Ridgway Library are owing mainly, if not en-
tirely, to the fact that the tin was laid on a smooth bed
of cement mortar in lieu of the usual wooden sheathing. This
was done in order to make the roof thoroughly fire proof by
avoiding the use of wood in large quantity.

This method was employed in roofing several build-
ings in this City shortly after the great Boston fire, and I
was so desirous that this roof should be thoroughly fireproof
that I adopted it for your building. It has failed to
give satisfaction after three or four years trial in every
case that I know of, the cement acting on the under-
side of the tin destroying the coating and injuring
the plate.

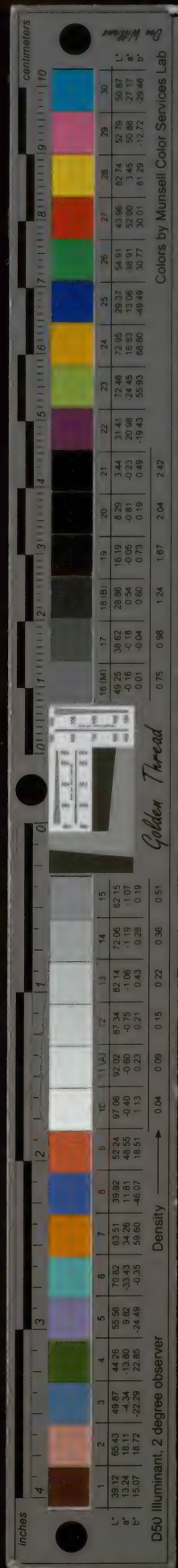
I think the entire new covering including the wood
sheathing and all the jobbing attending its construction
will not exceed \$4000

Yours Truly Yours

Addison Hutton.

To Mr. Henry J. Williams.

The Treasurer reports that in accordance with
the instructions given him at the last meeting he applied
for a reduction of the assessment of taxes on the Law
Buildings. The Board of Revision, however, refused to make



any reduction

The following transfers were approved.

Exrs. William Harmer	to Mary E. Harmer
Admir. Letitia Foulke	" Hannah F. Bailey
Bernwarden Dixie	" Chapman Biddle
Martin Thuron	" Mary P. Harris
Atty Elisha Chauncey	" Jas. W. McAllister

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

A Jersey in the bird was 2 vols. from Adjutant Gen. N.Y.

Geology of Wisconsin	vol 2	"	The Governor
Smithsonian Report	1876	"	The Institution
Journal of Councils	1877	"	City Councils
Ordinances	"	"	"
Coates Centennial Oration		"	S. A. Allibone
Waifs		"	Dr. E. A. Smith
Foreign relations U. S.		"	Secy. of State.
Report of Secy of the Navy		"	Navy Department
Harvard University Catalogue		"	President Elliot
Historical Sketch Columbia College		"	The Trustees.
Henry Phillips Jr. Translations		"	" author
Battle field of Gettysburg		"	Gen. A. A. Humphreys.
Report on Commerce & Navigation		"	Bureau of Statistics
Brown on Locomotives in America		"	the author.

Wm. Henry Rawls
Secretary

Recapitulation of Treasurer's Account.

Books & periodicals	5,358	92	Balance	2,645	00
Binding	799	08	Ground Rents 106.		
Salaries	3,166	00	Interest 166.17	272	17
Expenses &c.	1,529	41	Rents, Law Buildings	2,960	00
Insurance	420	00	" Loganian	703	97
Taxes & Water rent	621	30	Yearly payments	7,807	70
Balance	2,522	13	" Subscriptions	24	00
			Sub "to Old & New", returned	4	00
	14,416	84		14,416	84

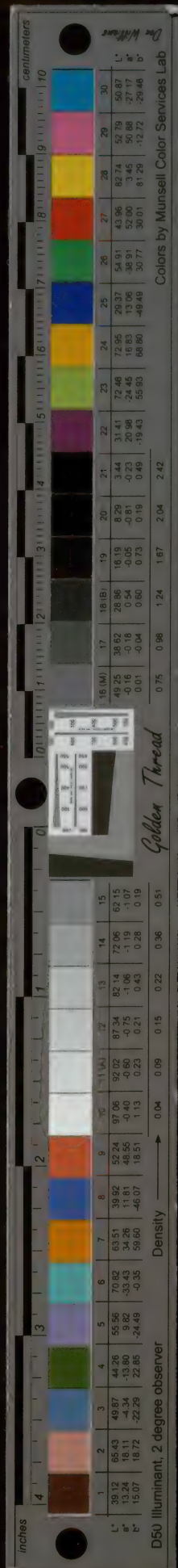
Recapitulation of the Building Fund.

Cost of 9,500 - U.S. 6's	9,487	57	Subscriptions paid	16,822	00
" " 6,500 - " " 5's	6,473	12	Bequest Jos. Fisher Dec ^d	54,488	12
Par " 2,350 - Sch New.	2,350	00	Proceeds Shares sold	2,464	00
Cost, Mortgages	11,000	00	Interest 29,466.34		
" Real Estate	71,749	18	Rents, property		
Exp ^s . Library b ^o : V. Williams	4,688	88	cor. Locust and		
Cost 2,000 - Pittsburg 7's	1,970	00	Juniper Street 10,234.73	39,701	07
Cash	5,756	44			
	113,475	19		113,475	19

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May 1876

Lloyd L. Smith
Treasurer



Recapitulation of Treasurer's Account.

Books & periodicals	4,004 80	Balance	2,522 13
Binding	1,064 35	Ground Rents 95.78	
card catalogue	1,137 49	Interest 143.36	239 14
Salaries	3,203 50	Rents, Law Buildings	2,725 00
Expenses	1,847 44	" Loganian Library	697 53
Insurance	420 00	Yearly payments	7,779 71
Taxes	606 79	" Subscriptions	48 00
Balance	1,732 94	Duplicate order refunded	5 80
	<u>14,017 31</u>		<u>14,017 31</u>

Recapitulation of the Building Fund.

Cost of 11,500 U.S. Bonds	11,500 00	Subscriptions paid	16,822 00
" " 2,350 - Sch. Nav:	2,350 00	Bequest Jos. Fisher dec ^d	54488 13
" " 24,000 Mortgages	24,000 00	Proceeds Shares sold	2,464 00
" " Real Estate	71,779 18	Interest 32,074.46	
" " 2,000 Pittsburg $\frac{1}{2}$	1,970 00	Rents of	
Exp. Libry Co. v. Williams	4,688 88	Real Estate 12,264.94	44,339 40
Cash	1,825 46		
	<u>118,113 52</u>		<u>118,113 52</u>



Phila May 1 1877

Wm. H. Smith
Treasurer

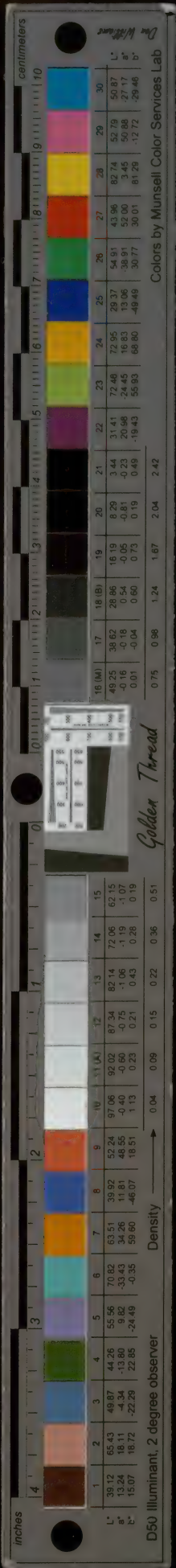
Recapitulation of Treasurer's Account.

Books & periodicals	3,406	83	Balance	1,732	94
Binding	1,188	32	Ground Rents	95.78	
Salaries	3,541	00	Interest	131.97	227 75
Expenses, Repairs &c	1,639	34	Rents Law Buildings	2,822	92
Insurance	420	00	" Loganian Library	646	91
Taxes	635	35	Yearly payments	7,742	96
Balance	2,442	81	" Subscriptions	24	00
			Duplicate order returned	3	75
			Duplicate books sold	72	42
				13,273	65
				13,273	65

Recapitulation of the Building Fund.

Cost of Real Est. Locust St.	71,809	18	Subscriptions paid	16,822	00
" litigation b. v. Williams	4,688	88	Bequest Jos. Fisher dec'd	54,488	12
" 16,500 U. S. Bonds	16,698	19	Proceeds Shares sold	2,464	00
" 2,350 - Sch ^l New ^o	2,350	00	Interest	34,439.00	
" 2,000 - Pittsburg	1,970	00	Net income of		
" 24,000 - Mortgages	24,000	00	Real Est. Locust St. 14.020.20	48,459	20
" Cash	717	07			
				122,233	32
				122,233	32

E. C. Phila Meays 1878
Lloyd D. Smith
Treasurer



At a meeting of the Directors April 4th 1878

Present

Messrs. Willing
Lewis
McBall

Bramond
Biddle
Wister

Secretary and Treasurer.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:—

Library Company \$ 2,375.40

Loganiam 736.60

Building Fund 5,317.—

Due in London £62⁰ 9⁰ 10

Messrs. Wharton & Biddle were appointed a Committee to examine the Treasurer's and Librarian's accounts.

The following transfers were approved:—

Ex^t of W^m H. Fuguet to Michael Dallett, Committee
for Emily D. Fuguet

Samuel B. Berry applied to have his share (forfeited in 1871) restored on payment of the market price \$35.

Which was granted.

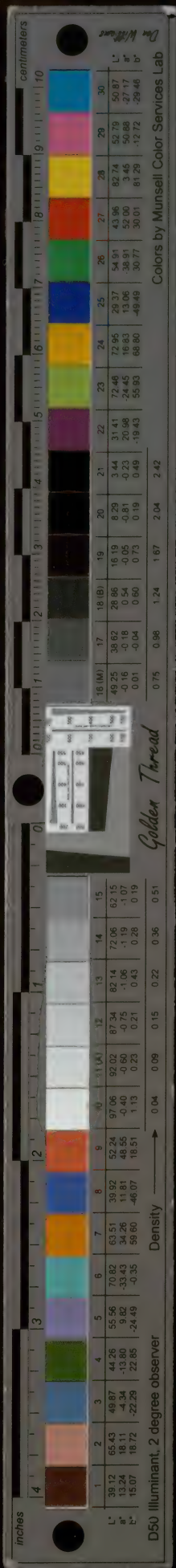
The Librarian reports that he has received 974 volumes from Isaac Lea Esq. with permission to pick out such as the Library wants and sell the remainder— Two hundred and

twelve volumes were selected and the remainder sent to auction.

He also reports that he has received Seven hundred & twelve volumes (712 vols.) from the heirs of Edward Armstrong dec^d. as a deposit, to be reclaimed by either of his three daughters during their own lifetime, should they be so disposed.

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

The Friend 13 vols.	From Caleb Cresson
Coast Survey. Map of Delaware River	" Lewis M. Haupt
Baldeman's Orthography	" The Author
Penna. in the Centennial 2 vols.	" Horatio B. Jones
Rau's Ways and Means (Reprint)	" Wm Brooke Rau
Report of Pa. Board of Charities	" The Board
Bateman on Darwinism	" The Author
Catalogue Penna. State Library	" H. B. Jones
Report. Dep ^t . of Agriculture	" The Department
Report. City Trusts	" H. M. Phillips
Walker's Sermons	" Unitarian Assoc ⁿ
Kingsley's Sermons	" R. C. Clark
The Heathen World	" do.
Roscoe's Chemistry	" C. R. Hildeburn
Baldeman's Etymology	" The Author
do Latin Pronunciation	" do
2 nd Geological Survey of Pa. 3 vols.	" Mr. Pease
Trans. Am. Antiquarian Society vol. 6	" The Society
Manual of the Corporation of N. York	" C. R. Hildeburn
Resources of Kentucky	" The Governor
Carbonated Drinks	" C. E. Sterns
Journal of the Society of Arts. Vol. 25	" The Society
Printer's Circular vol. 12	" The Publishers.



Geological Survey of New Jersey	from The Governor
Margny - Découvertes des Français	" Librarian of Congress
Reports on Centennial Exhibition	" Swiss Consul
Exploration 40 th Parallel (Ornithology)	" Gen. Humphreys.

The Librarian reported that he had made the following
Reply to Mr. Williams respecting the necessity of putting a new
roof on the Ridgway Building - viz

" Library Co. of Philad^a
Mch. 8. 1878

My dear Sir,

In reply to your favor of 3^d Inst. I am
directed to say that the Board do not consider an error in a matter
of detail to be of consequence in a work of such magnitude as the
Ridgway Library, and one otherwise so well constructed -

They nevertheless thank you for the information in regard
to the roof which might possibly have had a bearing upon the
question of its acceptance

Very Respectfully Yours
Lloyd P. Smith
Librarian

Henry J. Williams Esq.

Wm Henry R. R. R.
Secretary

At a meeting of the Director May 2, 1878

Present

Messrs. Milling	Granmond
Hoare	Biddle
M ^r . Ball	Wister
Wharton	Buckley
	Treasurer

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the Treasurer's and Librarian's Accounts report that they have performed that duty and find the same correct:—

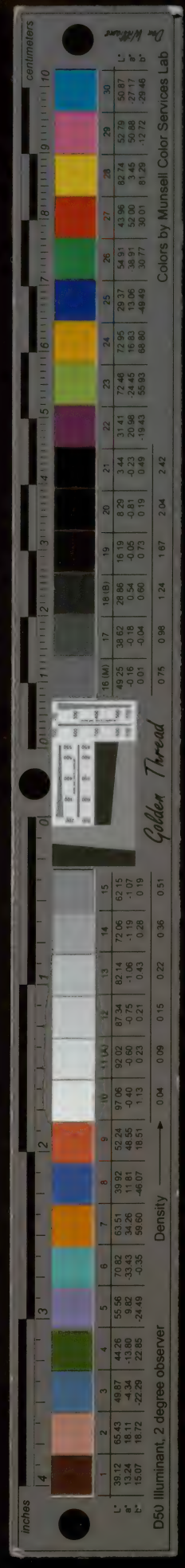
The Balance due the Library Co.	\$ 2,442.81
" " " " Building Fund	717.07
" " " from the Librarian	134.62

The following transfers were approved:

Ex ^{rs} of Richard Leitch	to	Martha A. Leitch
Alfred Smith	"	Elizabeth Baeder
Adm ^r . Mrs. S. H. Dickson	"	John A. Dickson
Ja ^s . M. Rhodes	"	Med ^l . Kutekunst
Sam ^l . B. Henry	"	Mary A. Logan
Ex ^r . Alexander Fullerton	"	Thos ^s . H. Morton
Isaac J. Wister	"	Chas ^s . P. Perkins
Assignee of B. J. Quimby	"	Anna M. Pollock
Ex ^r . Caspar Wistar	"	Isaac J. Wistar

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

El Instructor 6 vols	from	Chas ^s . R. Hildeburn Esq ^r
Mais' Life & Resources in America	"	do
Trans. of Am. Inst. of Mining Engineers vol. 5	"	The Institute



Reports of Dept. of Agriculture for '76	from Department
Penna. Report on Railroads, Canals &c.	" H. B. Jones
Visitor Guide to the Centennial Ex.	" Col. Asch
Spanish Memorial Centennial Ex.	" "
Photograph of Centennial Award Medal	" "
Chinese Catalogue Centennial Ex.	" "
British Sect. " " "	" "
Heraldine Soc's Pt 3	" A. Fitzgibbon
Woodbridge Vicinity	" Evan Randolph
Penna. Archives Vol. 6	" Geo. B. Shinn - Dep. Sec. State
Conn. Board of Agriculture with Report	" State
Penna. Auditor General's Reports of 1876 & 77	" H. B. Jones
Coast & Islands of Mediterranean Pt 2	" Com. R. H. Noyman U.S.N.
Meyer's Commentary on New Test. St. Matthew Vol. 1	R. C. Clark
" " " " Acts Vol. 2	"
Inspiration of Holy Scriptures by Elliott	"
Register of Confederate Dead	from R. A. Brock
Index to N. A. Botany	" Smithsonian Institution

The Committee on Finance report that they have purchased for the Building Fund \$5000. U.S. 5/20 Registered Bonds of 1885 @ 104 3/4.

The Committee recommend the sale of \$2000. Pittsburg 7% Water Bonds belonging to the same fund.

Agreed to

The Committee on Fire Proof Building Report in writing as follows:-

To the Directors of the Library Company.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of the erection of a fire proof building.

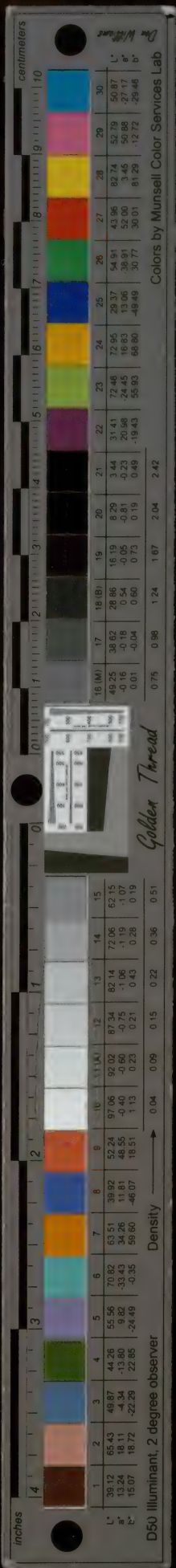
Respectfully to Report:-

That they are able to congratulate the members of the Company on a prospect of a speedy settlement of the difficulties which have been supposed to attend the acceptance of the very munificent gift of Dr. Rush, for the purpose for which the Committee was originally appointed, which if properly carried out will prove advantageous in the highest way to the public as well as to the Company.

As the Company considered it best, by their resolution of the Twentieth day of October 1869, to accept the gift in advance of the time which the Counsel of the Company thought proper, - that is the completion of the building, - the Directors have done what was possible to carry out the wishes of the members. - An Act of Assembly and certain modifications by the proper Court, of the Charter of the Company, have been obtained, which enable them, without affecting the Company's own books and collections, except so far as may be thought just to comply in good faith with Dr. Rush's expectations, to act as Trustees under this Will. - A very magnificent building, probably the finest of the character in the United States has been erected by Mr. Williams, who has shown in the matter the greatest earnestness, and a vigor remarkable at any time of life. - A suit has been instituted by him to ascertain the rights of the parties which is just ready for determination. - The Master's Report is made establishing that while the Company has accepted the bequest of Dr. Rush, it has done so on terms which substantially preserve the identity of the old institution, and enable it to use for the public good the property thus confided to them, without impeding that which has come to them from other sources. - The Deed is prepared for execution and a copy of it is herewith submitted.

The Committee propose the following resolution. - Resolved That the Secretary, or in his absence the Treasurer be authorized to affix the Corporate Seal to the Deed prepared by the Master in the Case of Williams vs The Library Company, when the Decree to that effect is made by the Court.

The Committee would add, in conclusion, that the recent decision



in regard to the exemption of the Library from taxation has removed one of the chief objections which have been made to the acceptance by the Library Company of Dr. Rush's gift

All of which is respectfully submitted

Gal. S. Biddle

Henry Wharton

for the Committee.

Whereupon Judge Ware offered the following resolution:

Resolved. That the Secretary, or in his absence the Treasurer, be authorized to affix the Corporate Seal to the Deed prepared by the Master in the case of Williams vs The Library Company, when the decree to that effect is made by the Court.

Which was unanimously agreed to by the Board.

The Report of the Board to be read at the annual meeting of the members as follows: was adopted.

The Directors of the Library Company
Respectfully Report:

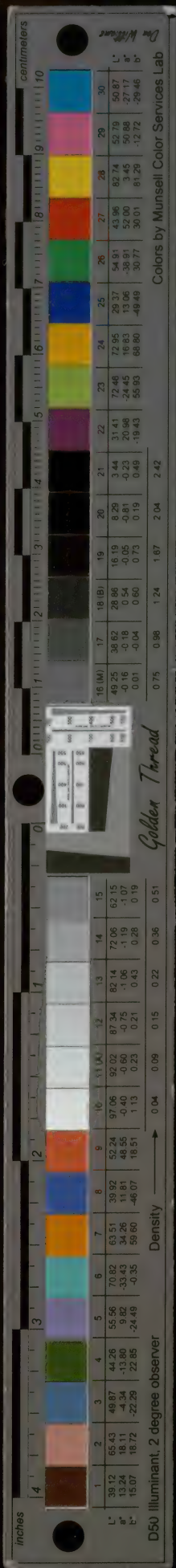
That they are able to congratulate the members of the Company on the settlement of the difficulties which have been supposed to attend the acceptance of the munificent devise of the late Dr. James Rush; a trust which, if properly administered cannot fail to be highly advantageous to the public as well as to the members of the Library Company -

As the Company considered it best by their resolution of the 20th day of October 1869. to accept the gift, the Directors have done what was possible to carry out the wishes of the members. An Act of Assembly and certain modifications by the proper Court, of its charter, have been obtained, which enable the Library Company to act as trustees under Dr. Rush's Will without affecting its own books and collections, except so far as may be thought just to comply in good faith with the expectations of the testator.

117.
A noble structure fire proof in all its parts and the finest edifice devoted to library purposes in the United States has been erected by his Executive, Henry J. Williams Esq. who has discharged the onerous duties devolved upon him with conscientious fidelity and efficiency. A suit which was instituted by him to ascertain the rights of the parties interested has just been determined. The decree of the Court of Common Pleas made on the 4th day of May 1878. establishes that while the Company has already accepted the bequest of Dr. Rush, it has done so on terms which substantially preserve the identity of the old institution, and enable it to use for the public good the property thus confided to it without imperilling that which has come to it from other sources. In accordance with that decree, a deed of trust, which was carefully examined and unanimously approved and accepted by the Board has been executed to the Company, a copy of which is herewith submitted. It will be seen that this deed conveys not only the building in Broad Street, but also the residuary estate of the late Dr. Rush which constitutes the endowment fund of the Ridgway Branch. This endowment consists of Real Estate valued at \$300,000. yielding a gross income of nearly \$30,000. and a net income after paying taxes, repairs and expenses of over \$18,000. It is charged with the payment of annuities amounting to \$5,680. but it is estimated that even now after defraying the necessary expenses of the Ridgway Branch, a considerable yearly sum will be left for the purchase of books.

Another gratifying fact which the Board are able to communicate at the present time, and one which removes the principal objection heretofore felt to the acceptance of Dr. Rush's gift is that the Supreme Court has recently decided that so much of the Company's property as is actually used for library purposes is exempt from taxation.

In the meantime the present library building has become so crowded, that there is little or no further shelf room available for the storage of books. Immediate relief from this embarrassment



will be afforded by the use of the Ridgway Branch, into which the Directors propose to remove not only such books as, if destroyed by fire, could never be replaced, but also with the approbation of their Co-trustees the entire Logarithm Library together with that portion of the Company's own collection which may be considered more particularly as a library of reference. The business of a circulating library which was the original and primary object of the Association will still be carried on mainly in the present building which will be connected by telephone with the one at Broad and Christian Streets, the American District Telegraph Company affording facilities for sending books from either to the houses of members and others.

The above mentioned action of the Court, investing the Company with the management of the Trust created by Dr. Rush will find the Board of Directors charged with the administration of another trust, that is to say, the Building Fund started in 1856. This fund as will be seen by the accompanying Report of the Treasurer, now amounts to \$117,544.44 of which \$71,809.18 is invested in Real estate at the corner of Locust and Juniper Streets. The remainder would be sufficient, at the present reduced cost of building, to put up a fire proof structure on that or some other lot sufficient to contain all the books which it is necessary for the Company to keep in a central location; and whenever a satisfactory offer is received for the Company's property at 5th and Library Streets the question of removal will be seriously entertained.

In conclusion, the Directors once more congratulate the Company on the eminently prosperous condition of its affairs and confidently predict for the institution an increase of usefulness in the future.

Messrs. McCall, Buckley & Dr. Mitchell were appointed a Special Committee on the part of the Library Company, on the organization and management of the Ridgway Branch of the Library.

119.
The Librarian reports that he has sought and obtained an interview with G. Howard Bulket Chairman of a Committee to purchase the Chess Library of the late Prof. Allen. The Librarian recommends to the Board to subscribe \$500. or more to the fund on condition of the Library going to the Ridgway Branch.

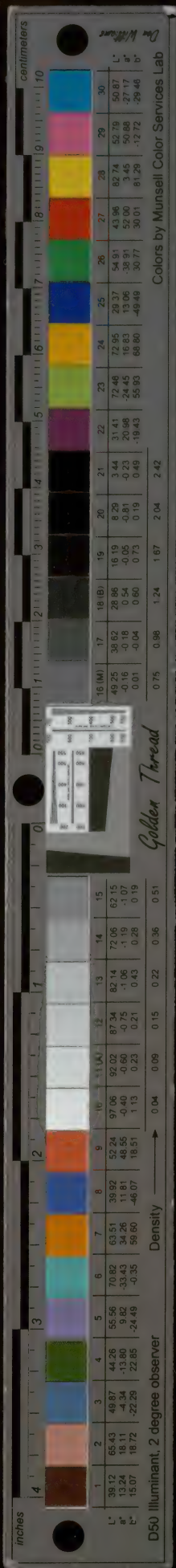
May 6th 1878

At the Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of this Company held this day at 3 o'clock P.M. in the Library building, the Hon. George Sherrinwood was called to the Chair, and the Secretary of the Company acted as Secretary of the Meeting.

The Secretary read to the meeting the Report of the Directors approved by the Board at their meeting of the 2^d Inst.

Whereupon Eli H. Price Esq. moved that the same be approved by this meeting, which was unanimously agreed to.

The Secretary laid before the Meeting the Deed which had been that morning executed by Henry J. Williams Esq. Executor of Dr. James Rush, conveying to this Company the Ridgway Library and the assets of his estate.



At a meeting of the Directors May 9. 1878.

Present

Messrs. M^cCall
Diamond
Wister

Buckley
Mitchell

Secretary and Treasurer

The Minutes of the preceding meeting of the Board, and of the Annual Meeting of the Company were read and approved.

The Secretary read the return of the election of Directors and Treasurer as follows:

At an election held at the Library on Monday the 6th day of May 1878. for a choice of twelve Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Phil^a. the following persons attended in person or by proxy to give their votes.

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|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. Phil ^a Board of Trade | 18. Ed. Bealock |
| 2. R. D. Wood's Estate | 19. A. C. Duller |
| 3. Eli R. Price | 20. Edward Hoppin |
| 4. Sam ^l Bradford | 21. Robert P. Minton |
| 5. J. R. Valentine | 22. G. M. Abbott |
| 6. E. B. Handette | 23. J. D. Rodney |
| 7. W ^m L. M ^c Tier | 24. J. D. Sergeant |
| 8. Chas. Henry Hart | 25. Casper Wister |
| 9. S. F. Corlies | 26. Dr. B. H. Coates |
| 10. Edward Lewis | 27. W. R. Rawle |
| 11. Sam ^l Robb | 28. Mary R. Johnson |
| 12. Chas. A. Dwy | 29. W. R. Walton |
| 13. J. M. Wallace | 30. A. P. Douglass |
| 14. W ^m L. M ^c Backden | 31. W ^m Henry Rawle |
| 15. J. W. Hutter | 32. S. Kingston M ^c Ray |
| 16. S. W. Roberts | 33. L. B. Madeira |
| 17. Joseph Sarnish | 34. James S. Bridelle |
| | 35. Chas. Witting M. D. |

36 Peter McCall
37 George Hilpin
38 Dr. Benson Baehre
39 W. B. Hurstine Jr.
40 Isaac Meyer
41 Saml. Wilder
42 Saml. A. Bishopham
43 Charlotte C. Raule

44 A. Deaton Smith
45 Robert Patterson
46 James Reisking
47 Perrifer Ancozer Jr.
48 Henry S. Loubet
49 James A. McCrear M.D.
50 Henry Brammond

Directors

Charles Willing	(50)	fifty votes
David Lewis	(50)	do do
J. D. Clark Bare	(50)	do do
Peter McCall	(50)	do do
Henry Wharton	(50)	do do
Henry Brammond	(50)	do do
James S. Bidelle	(50)	do do
Henry C. Lea	(50)	do do
John S. Newbold	(50)	do do
Casper Mister	(50)	do do
Edward S. Buckley	(50)	do do
S. Weir Mitchell	(50)	do do

Treasurer

Lloyd P. Smith (50) fifty votes

We the subscribers testify that the above is a true state of the election of Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia, held on Monday the Sixth day of May 1878, agreeably to the Charter and laws of the said Company, and that Charles Willing, David Lewis, J. D. Clark Bare, Peter McCall, Henry Wharton, Henry Brammond, James S. Bidelle, Henry C. Lea, John S. Newbold, Casper Mister and S. Weir Mitchell were duly elected Directors, and Lloyd P. Smith Treasurer of the said Company for the ensuing year.

Attest

M^{rs} Henry Raule Secretary

J. D. Sergeant } Judges
J. D. Rodney }



William Henry Caule was re-elected Secretary.

The following Standing Committees were appointed:—
Committee on Correspondence and the purchase of English and American books.

Messrs. Lewis

Newbold

Wharton

Mitchell

Biddle

To arrange terms with those who may have lost or defaced books:

Messrs. Bramm and Lea.
On Repairs and Improvements

Messrs. Willing

Biddle

Lea

Mitchell

To Label books, direct the binding and replace defaced Books.

Messrs. Hare

Bramm

Wharton

Buckley

To purchase French, Spanish, German and Italian books.

Messrs. Willing

Biddle

Hare

Wister

McCall

On Finance

Messrs. Biddle, Lea & Newbold

On a Fire proof building

Messrs. Wharton, Biddle and Newbold

On the Ridgway Branch

Messrs. McCall, Buckley and Mitchell

The Secretary reported that, on the 6th Inst., in accordance with the resolution of the Board of the 2nd Inst. he had affixed the Seal of the Company to the Deed from Henry J. Williams Esq.

123.
Executor of the Will of Dr. James Rush deceased, to the Library Company.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in hands:-

Library Company	\$7,823.67
Loganian	1,848.20
Building fund	717.07
In London	£. 102,15.9
" Paris	fr. 996,14

The following Orders were drawn on the Treasurer:

No. 452 Librarian's Salary 3 months. 1.50

Treasurer's " " " 50.

First Ass^t " " " 306.25

Second Ass^t " " " 75.-

Secretary " 12 mo " 16.- \$ 897.25

453. Greel Ho £200. B. Exchange 983.90

do fr. 1000. - 196.58

David Williams Books 5.-

Indem Bro's " 8.-

J. H. Smith " 5.-

Penn Monthly " 3.-

Appleton Ho " 9.

N.Y. Genealogical Recd " 2. 1,212.48

454. Woman's Words Books 2.-

Claxton R. & Co. " 1.20

Mrs. Marvin " .75

Marcus Ward Ho " 3.60

N.S. Historic Society " 3.-

Schaefer & Heradi " 8.60

Edwin D. Stuart " 22.40

Mrs. Ellis " 6.25 47.80

No. 455.	Mrs. Ellis	Books	4.50	
	E. H. Hamer Ho	"	1.50	
	Marcus Ward Ho	"	12.53	
	J. W. Burton	"	6.-	
	Map of Amer. History	"	5.-	
	Journal Spec. Philosophy	"	3.-	
	National Quar. Review	"	4.-	
	M. Thomas for	"	<u>1.50</u>	37.03
456.	Current expenses for the ensuing year to be accounted for by the Librarian -			700.-
457.	Barnes for	Repairs	3.75	
	H. Hampe for	"	19.50	
	J. A. Riter Ho	Shelving	107.85	
	Stewart & Stearns	Repairs	18.87	
	Hornell & Burke	"	<u>20.35</u>	170.32
458.	Evening Bulletin	Adv's.	20.-	
	M. L. Frederick	Printing	14.-	
	J. S. Barr Ho	Stationery	3.-	
	Pae. Company	Rent of tin box	5.-	
	Insurance premiums for 1878		420.	
	Saves for 1878		<u>128.31</u>	1,090.31

The following Orders were drawn on the Treasurer payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch:-

No. 1. Current expenses for the ensuing year to be accounted for by the Librarian \$ 500.-

" 2.	Melvil Dewey	Stationery	47.-	
	Miss Ho	"	<u>40.22</u>	87.22

The following transfers were approved:

Adm ^{rs} Maria C. Blanchard	to	William Blanchard
Henry Sylvester	"	Frederick Sylvester
Frederick Sylvester	"	Wallace H. Lippincott

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

U. S. Survey of the Rocky Mountain Region vol. 3. from Dep't of Interior	
" " " Territories vol. 7.	" " "
Penna. Report of the Sup't of Pub. Instruction	" Geo. W. Ball
" " " " Orphan's	" "
" " of Adjutant General	" "
" " on Government of Cities	" "
" " of Secy. of Internal Affairs	" "
" " " State Treasurer 1877	" "
" " Message of Governor	" "
Hist. Sketch of Mt. Holyoke Seminary	" Seminary
Report of U. S. Life saving Service	" Sec. of Navy
Mass. Hist. Socy. Collections	" Society
" " " Proceedings	" "
Letter of Secy. of War about Gettysburg Battle field	" Secy. of War
Message of Pres't U. S. on Turkish Revolt	" " "
42 nd Annual Report of Buffalo U. S. Assoc.	" Association
Papers relating to Foreign Relations U. S.	" Secy. of State
Franco German War	" " "
Cut. of Photos of N. A. Indians	" Dept. of Interior
Bulletin of U. S. Survey of Territories	" " "

for Henry Rowe
Secretary



At a meeting of the Directors May 16th 1878

Present, Messrs. Willing

Mc. Ball

Bramond

Biddle

Lea

Newbold

Wister

Buckley

Mitchell

Secretary and Treasurers

Mr. Mc. Ball from the Committee on Ridgway Branch
made the following report on the
Division of the Books

The Committee recommend that there be placed in the
Ridgway Branch:—

1. All the Loganian Books in the Catalogue (1837)
2. All Philadelphia Library Books in the printed Catalogue (1856) except works of fiction.
3. One set of Philadelphia Newspapers since 1850.
4. One or more copies of all duplicates.
5. Continuation of Periodicals except those of the last two years.
6. All maps and Atlases (to be deposited in a room specially assigned for them,) with the exception of one first class modern Atlas and the latest Map of Philadelphia.
7. All public documents.
8. Certain rare and costly books acquired since 1856. to be selected hereafter.

There will then remain in the Philadelphia Library

All the books in the Card Catalogue (except the continuation of periodicals, and the rare and costly books above mentioned) together with all works of fiction and duplicates of books placed in the Ridgway Branch. The accessions from 1856 to 1873 are estimated at 30,000 volumes.

In conformity with the Will of Dr. Rush, his private Library will be kept in a private room in the Ridgway Branch.

All books purchased with the funds of the Ridgway Branch will be kept there. With a view however to preserving unity in the Catalogue department, these books will be entered in the various accession catalogues at the Philadelphia Library.

Members will of course use either Library at pleasure, but at first only one Entry Ledger need be kept, which should be at the Central Library. Instant communication can be had between the two Libraries by means of the Telephone. When a member applies at the Ridgway Branch for a book, inquiry can be made at the Central Library by Telephone whether there is room for it on his share and if so, it can be charged to him by the same means.

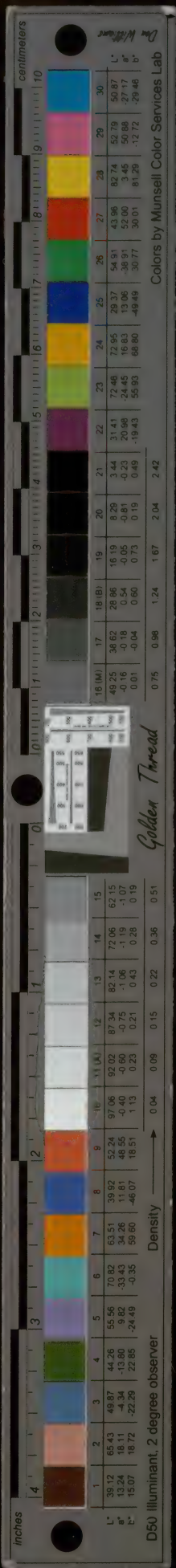
On motion it was

Resolved. That the Directors approve the division of the Books between the Ridgway Branch and the Philadelphia Library recommended by the Committee.

Mr. M^r. Bull from the same Committee further reported as follows:—

The shelving at the Ridgway Branch remains to be done and should be set about immediately.

With regard to the arrangement of the books on the shelves, the Committee recommend that the books be classified on the shelves according to subjects. This will require the numbering and re-labelling of the books by subjects, and the preparation of class lists



a work which should go on simultaneously with the moving of the books, and be done at the Ridgway Branch. The Committee recommended that the Librarian be authorized to employ an experienced Cataloguer for temporary service, at \$20. per week; And that the Librarian be requested, after consultation with Mr. Howland and Messrs. [illegible] to report as to the best method of re-arranging the books according to Subjects.

On motion it was

Resolved That the Librarian be requested, after consultation with such experts as he may think fit, to report on the best method of arranging the books on the shelves.

Mr. McCall from the same Committee also reported, as follows:—

The endowment of the Ridgway Branch being wholly in real estate it becomes necessary to appoint a trustworthy agent who shall collect the rents, pay the taxes and water rents, look after the insurance, cause the necessary repairs to be made and in short take the general charge of the estate making monthly returns to the Treasurer. It is understood that Mr. Farmer who has had the care of the estate declines to continue the Agency — The present Rental amounts to \$28.534.

On motion it was

Resolved That Clifford Lewis be appointed the Agent of the Library Company, to collect the ground rents and rents of the Messuages conveyed to the Library Company by Henry J. Williams Executor of the last will of Dr. Rush, by deed dated May 6th inst., pay the taxes and water rents, attend to the insurance and cause the necessary repairs to be made to the properties and in general take charge of the same: The Agent to make monthly report and returns of

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money received to the Treasurer; and to receive a compensation for his services of one thousand dollars per annum.

And that the Secretary be authorized to affix the Corporate Seal to a power of Attorney to him for the purposes aforesaid.

The following resolution was also adopted:—

Resolved That in the event of a decree being made by the Court of Common Pleas, ~~that~~ this Company convey to the Executor of Dr. Rush the ground rents scheduled in the deed of May 6th 1878. the Secretary be authorized to affix the Seal of the Company to a proper conveyance to carry the decree into effect.

Wm Henry Paule
Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors May 22^d 1878
held at the Ridgway Library.

Present. Messrs. Willing	Biddle
McCall	Newbold
Wharton	Wister
Brannon	
Secretary and Treasurer.	

Mr. McCall from the Committee on the Organization of the Ridgway Branch, presented two additional estimates for book cases, namely:—

B. W. Ensinger - - \$4.560.

B. Ketcham - - \$3.490.

Ordered. That Mr. Ketcham's bid be accepted.

Also his bid for doors for book cases for the Loggians Library at \$6.90 per case of two doors each.

Also, that inside shutters for the lower front windows be made at Mr. Button's estimate of \$45. each window

Also, that the offer of George H. Nelson to lay the basement floor with Lithogen pavement be referred to Mr. Button with power to act.

Also, that the matter of the counter and Librarian's desk to be constructed of Oak, be referred to the Chairman of said Committee, with power to act.

Also, that the matter of window shades, be similarly referred

Wm Henry Riddle
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors May 23^d 1878
Present.

Messrs. Willing	Biddle
Hare	Lea
McCall	Newbold
Wharton	Wister
Gramond	Buckley.
Secretary and Treasurer.	

The Secretary laid before the Board certain proceedings of the Court of Common Pleas No. 1. - being the petition of Mr. Williams, Executor of Dr. Rush; the answer of this Company, and the decree therein made on the 18th day of May 1878: also a deed in pursuance thereof, and of the resolution of the 16th day of May 1878 conveying to him the nine yearly ground rents therein mentioned.

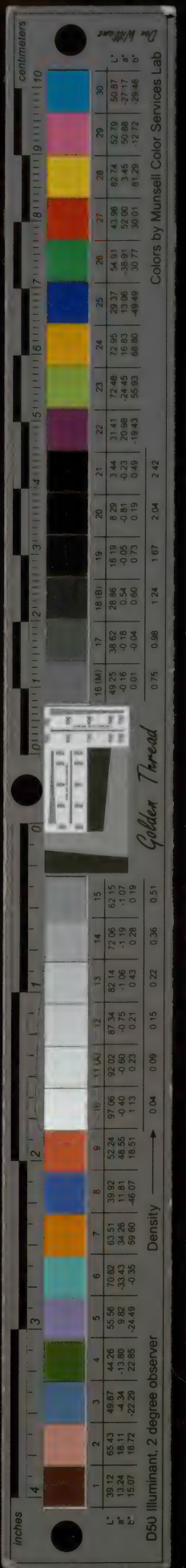
The execution of the deed was confirmed, and the Secretary authorized to deliver the same.

Mr. McCall from the Committee on the Ridgway Branch reported as follows:

The Committee recommend that the Librarian's first Assistant, Mr. George M. Abbott be stationed at the Ridgway Branch, there to perform such duties and render such services as shall be assigned to him by the Librarian. Also that his salary be increased to \$1800. per annum to be paid by the Ridgway Branch.

The detachment of Mr. Abbott to the Ridgway Branch, if approved by the Board, will render it necessary to appoint an Assistant Librarian in his place for service at the Philadelphia Library.

On motion it was Resolved that George M. Abbott, the Librarian's first Assistant, until further



orders, be stationed at the Ridgway Branch, there to perform such duties and render such services as shall be assigned to him by the Librarian, and that his salary be increased to \$1800. per annum to commence 1st May inst.: And that the salary of Mr. Benjamin Owen, the present second assistant be increased to \$800. per annum to commence 1st May inst.

Mr. McCall from the same Committee also reported as follows:-

James Winning an old servant of Dr. Rush is now in charge of the property on Broad Street. He lives in the house adjoining the Library Building and within the grounds, and employs a man to build. Winning is old somewhat crippled with Rheumatism, but Mr. Williams says he is trustworthy and has good sense. Mr. Williams has paid him \$900. a year, out of which he retains \$300. a year for the rent of his house. The Committee recommend that for the present he be appointed Janitor of the Ridgway Branch at a salary of \$75. per month - his rent remaining the same as hitherto, viz. \$300. per annum.

On Motion it was Resolved, that James Winning be appointed Janitor of the Ridgway Branch at a salary of \$75. per month - he paying to the Ridgway Branch \$300. per annum rent for the house occupied by him.

On Motion of Mr. Wharton it was Resolved, that all the salaries and payments to officers and employees at the Ridgway Branch be paid from the funds of said Branch.

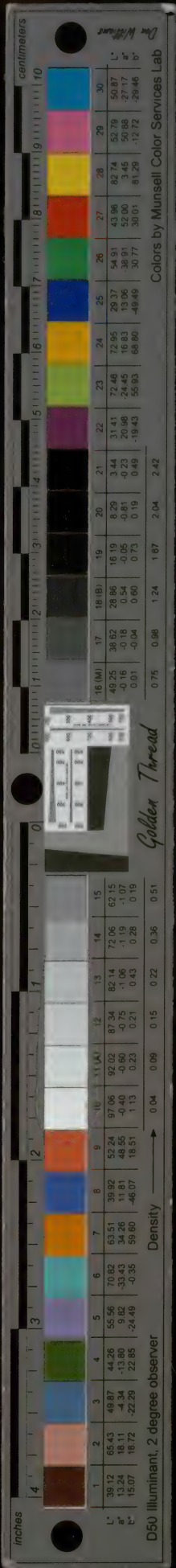
The Librarian reported the employment of the following persons, to wit:

Laurence Boye Assistant at 5th Library at \$3. per week.

Barford Samuel Assistant at Broad Christian at \$3. pr. week
 Minton Shaw Emanuel boy " 3. " "
 J. B. Barnwell Temporary Cataloguer " 20. " "
 J. Bernat Night & day Watchman " 1.50 pr. day
 2 Scrubbers for the two — 1.25 " "
 Which was approved.

Mr. M. Ball from the Committee on the Ridgway Branch, reported a communication from G. H. Miller as to the grading and planting the grounds of the Ridgway Branch. And the matter was referred to the Committee with power to act.

Wm Henry Rowe
 Secretary



At a meeting of the Directors June 6th 1878
Present

Meep Lewis

Biddle

Heare

Lee

McCall

Mister

Wharton

Arnsbold

Cramond

Treasurer

The Committee on a New Library Building reported that "owing to a probable offer to purchase the Library building at the corner of 5th & Library St it is proper that a price be fixed by the Board as the lowest which will be taken

That after due consideration the sum of sixty thousand dollars is thought by your committee to be a proper sum to be taken.

That if a definite offer for this sum can be obtained it will be necessary to call a meeting of the Stockholders for the requisite authority to execute the deed of conveyance."

The Committee recommended the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Committee be authorized to entertain a proposition for the sale of the present library building at a sum not less than sixty thousand dollars, possession to be given on the completion of a new Library building, say not exceeding eighteen months.

Resolved, That upon the completion of such negotiation a meeting of the Stockholders be called & confer on the Board

the authority to sell the property and affix the corporate seal to the requisite deed of conveyance, and to give ~~authority~~ to the Directors in their discretion to sell the property at the corner of Locust and to purchase another lot for Library purposes if they deem expedient.

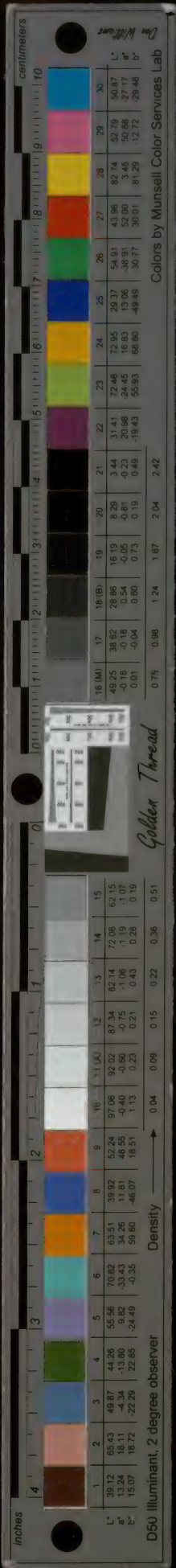
The first Resolution was as motion amended by striking out the word "exceeding" and substituting therefor "less than"; and by adding the words: "and adding all restrictions on other property to be reserved to the Library Co."

The Resolution as amended was then passed unanimously.

The second Resolution was then amended by striking out all after the words "requisite deed of conveyance", and was unanimously agreed to.

The Finance Committee reported that Mr Williams having requested the Treasurer to dispose of the Ground Rents reconveyed to him, the Committee had directed that they be put up at Public Sale, and that they had all been disposed of by Mr. Thomas Lee auctioneer except one of \$840. -- \$ annuum. The best offer for that one which the Committee had received was \$11,500. After deliberation the Committee were authorized to accept the offer.

The Librarian reported that in accordance with the instruction given him by the Board on the 9th ult. to report, after consultation with such experts as he may think fit on the best method



of arranging the books on the shelves, the following paper had been drawn up.

Phila. May 28 1878

The undersigned, having discussed the various catalogue plans now in use in the public and private libraries in the U. States, are of opinion that for a *Library de novo* the arrangement and classification of Mr. M. Dewey is the best brought to our notice.

But in view of the circumstances attending the case of the Phila. Library we all, after deliberation, in favor of the plan annexed to this report and submitted by W. L. Smith Librarian of the Phila. Library and respectfully urge its adoption by the Directors of the Library Co. on the occasion of the removal of a portion of the books to the Ridgway Branch, subject to such slight modifications as may through its use present themselves from time to time & those charged with the Library administration

Charles A. Cutter Libⁿ of Boston Athenaeum
 John Edmunds " " Mercantile Library
 James H. Parwell Vice Pres. " "
 Geo. Maurice Abbott Asst in Charge Ridgway B.
 W. D. Stone Librarian Hist. Socy.
 John P. Nicholson Director Merc. Library
 and Secy of Conference

The following is the Librarian's plan referred to above:

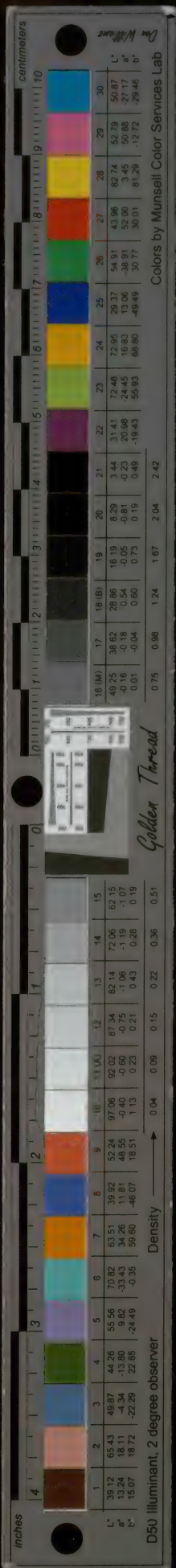
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1. Let the existing numbers remain
 2. Put a new label on each book, and write or print the class letters on each label, and book plate
 3. Adopt as a basis of classification the synopsis of the printed catalogue
 4. Let the 6 classes take the vowel designations A, E, I, O, U, Y, & the sub classes the lower case letters a, b, c, d, &c. No further subdivisions the nos 1, 2, 3, &c
 5. Set down opposite each title in the Mes. Catalogue the class letter and sub letter,
 6. Arrange the books as at present by sizes under each class, the nos following each other in numerical succession, disregarding the gaps.
 7. In cataloguing books in future put the class designation on a corner of the cards of the card catalogue as well as on the label, book-plate and accession Catalogue
- No action was taken on this Report

The following letter was read from the Council of the Co.:

Phil June 11 1878

Dear Sirs,

In the matter of our Professional Services in the tax case which was argued both in the Court of Common Pleas and in the Supreme Court we think that considering the importance of the question in itself and its importance to the Library Co not only as respects its



own property, but as enabling it to accept the Rush bequest the charge of \$2,000.00, by each of us would be sufficient.

In the matter of the Manners' suit and the suit instituted by M^r Williams against the Library Co. the total expenses, including printing, master's fees, are \$5,422.55 of which M^r Williams has paid his counsel M^r Rankin and M^r Johnson each \$1,000. - beside a previous retainer of \$200. each, and he has paid to M^r Rawle on the 29 May 1,200. - the latter being in a check to M^r Lloyd Smith which he endorsed to M^r Rawle.

To The Directors

Very respectfully

of the Library Co.

R. C. M. Murtrie

of Philadelphia

Wm Henry Rawle

No action was taken on this letter, there being no funds in the treasury of the Ridgway Branch as yet.

The Treasurer reported that the following shares were in default for 12 months:

Church of the Messiah
 Frederick J. Eckart's Est
 Robert W. Moseley's Est
 Cadwalader McKershan

The Librarian was authorized to close the Library this year from July 10 to Aug 2^d, provided he or one of his subordinates should personally superintend the cleaning every day.

The following transfers were approved:
 Joseph Brown Parker to John H. Swaby
 James B. Foster's Est " James Sylvester

Genl. Taylor's Lt to Samuel L. Taylor

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

Catologue d'ouvrages Pub. par the Librarian
Memoires de Jouvillat " Mr. Burleigh
Debates de la Convention Natl. " Jph. Clark
Report Eastern Penitentiary " Richard Henry
Briant " John H. Lee
Geological Survey N.Y. " the Governor
Catologue de la Biblio. de la Librarian
Report Map. Board of Health " the Board
Congressional Doc's 3 vols " Secy of Interior
Col. Lambert Cadwalader " Wm. H. Kewle

Mr Wharton stated that he would be absent in Europe for some months and begged to resign his position as Chairman of the Com. on a New Proof Building and asked that the Board would appoint a Substitute. Without taking action on this subject the Board adjourned to Wednesday July 3rd

Lloyd Smith

Act pro tem.

At a meeting of the Directors July 3rd 1878

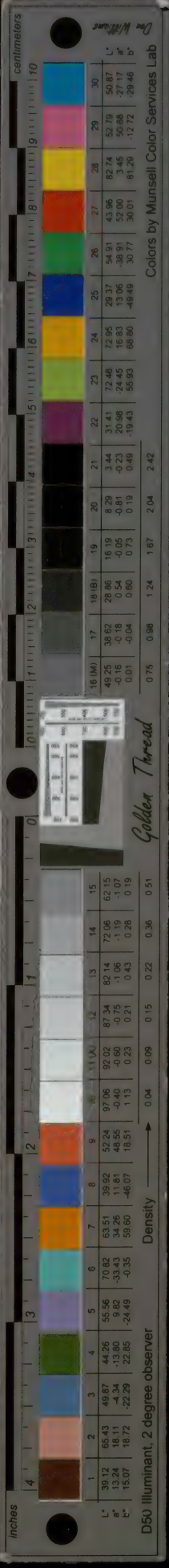
Present

Mr McCall
Hare
Cramond

Wiggle
Buckley
Red

The following transfer was approved
Howard Kirk to Joseph Lesley

The Treasurer reported that he had received from Henry J. Williams Executor the following



List
of Annuitants under the will of Doctor
James Rush May 26-1878

The annuities are payable Semi-annually
on the 26 May and November. p. ad.

Miss Caroline Little M. 19 & Race	1,800
" Maryb. Ritchie 1837 Spruce	1,000
" Anna Maria Rush 1914 Chestnut	360
" S. Catharine Rush 1914 -	360
Mrs Julia W. Piddale 1307 Walnut	1,800
Col Richard H. Rush who has made his annuity payable to his wife's Trustee John Calvert 431 Chestnut	360
	<u>\$ 5,680</u>

The Com: on Finance reported that
they had sold \$2,000 - Pittsburgh's for
off Building Fund (a 100)

The Librarian was authorized to put
up cases for large folios in the Reference
Room of the Ridgway Branch. Also to
employ in the work of removing and
arranging the books an additional boy
at \$3. - a week.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch
were authorized to put inside shutters on
the South and East windows of the Ridgway
Branch as well as on the west.

The Treasurer reported that he had
received the following letter from the
Agent of the Co.

July 2^d 1878

Dear Sir,

In reply to your request in
regard to the probable income of the

real estate recd from Mr Williams
I would say that the annual receipts
will amount to about \$25,000. - which
after deducting taxes (say 6000. -) repairs
(say 3000. -) and expenses (say 1000. -) will
leave a net income to the Library of
\$15,000.

The estimate of income may seem
rather low, but it is discouraging to go
among the poorer class of tenants, such
as occupy a large number of your
houses, as many of them are out of
work and find great difficulty in
meeting their expenses.

The houses are mostly rather old
and devoid of modern conveniences, which
is an obstacle to renting them, when
in competition with the present enormous
manner of building small houses;
there are however but two vacant
ones at present, which is a small
proportion out of 56 the total number
of houses.

The situation of a great deal
of the property, say in Market, Eighth
and Second streets, is very good for
business purposes, and should command
good and reliable tenants in ordinary
times.

In view of the present depressed
condition of Real Estate. I hope to
make a successful application for a
reduction of the assessments, which will
be a saving to the Library Co unless



The rate for the next year should be increased
Very respectfully
Clifford Lewis

Agent

The Treasurer submitted the following rough estimate of the additional yearly expense to the Co caused by the acceptance of the Ridgway Branch

Geo. M. Allen additional	300.-	
Benjamin Burn	500.-	
Second epistant	150.-	
Drum boy	150.-	
two boys at R. Branch	300.-	
Semitor " "	600.-	
Watchman " "	550.-	
two Semblers	450.-	
Catapultier	1,050.-	
Local	600.-	
Querman	400.-	
care of grounds	150.-	
Repairs & incidentals	500.-	5,700.-
Annuities		5,680.- 11,380

Art income R.B. estimated 15,000.-

Saved by reduction of apartments 880.- 15,880

Available for R.B. 4,500.-

The (Marion) Treasurer reported that he had received from Henry J. Williams Esq. eight thousand dollars on acct of the cash balance due the Co. The Treasurer estimated that on a final settlement about \$6,000 - additional would be recd.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:

Library Company	\$5,566.67
Logarian	1,473.75
Building Fund	3,121.97
Ridgway Branch	7,412.78
In London	£. 56 ¹¹ / ₁₀₀
" Paris	fr. 997.20

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer:—

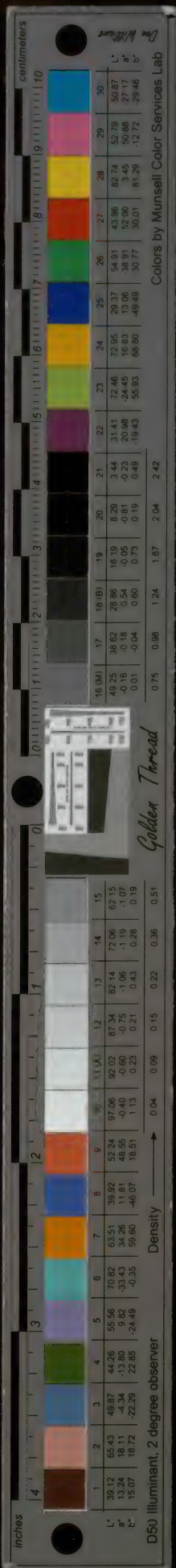
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Jno. Pennington for - Books	146.16	
Bangs & Co	"	6.66
do	"	129.13
do	"	30.36
Gebbie & Barrie	"	23. -
John Minton	"	4. -
Schaeffer & Knadi	"	10.10
do	"	22.40
T. M. Ellis	"	9. -
		<u>380.81</u>

No. 460.

Chas. F. Libbie Books	8.07	
Blaxton, Rensen & H.	"	323.31
Princeton Review	"	2. -
Porter & Coates	"	91.84
Hart & Maudsloni	"	3.50
N. American	"	4.50
J. Leyboldt	"	5. -
S. G. Milner	"	2. -
H. B. Baird	"	26.92
		<u>467.14</u>

Forward \$ 847.95



			Brist Forward	\$ 847.95
<u>No. 461.</u>	Mathew Review	Books	5.12	
	W. B. Zieber	"	165.20	
	H. G. Baird	"	6.40	
	Historical Society	"	3.-	
	R. Morris Smith	"	8.-	
	Boston Athenæum	"	.35	188.07

<u>No. 462.</u>	J. S. Barnwell	Cataloguing	120.-	
	G. M. Smith	do	{ 12.-	
	N. American	Advg	3.15	
	do	"	19.95	
	Ev'g. Bulletin	"	1.75	
	W. W. Harding	"	22.20	
	Am. Dist. Telegraph	Rent	18.-	
	do	- Tickets	20.-	225.05

<u>No. 463.</u>	W. Sanderson	Chair	36.-	
	J. S. Williams Ho.	Umbrella Stand	12.-	
	R. W. Sealey Jr	Repairs	4.80	
	Jas. Mc. Bright	"	12.-	
	Roydhouse & Atkinson	"	2.50	67.30

<u>No. 464.</u>	1/5 Legal Exp. Tax Case -	\$420.75	844.15
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\$ 2,172.52

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch: -

<u>No. 3.</u>	H. Zieber	Books	10.-
	M. Dewey	Blank Books	27.-
	Hugh Linn	Moving Books	11.25
		Forward	48.25

Bvt. Forward 48.25

No. 3. cont. Telephone Co. - Apparatus & Rent 150. -
B.A. Butler - Professional Services 40. -
Chas. H. Miller - " " 40. -
Stephen Paul - Watchman 37. - 315.25

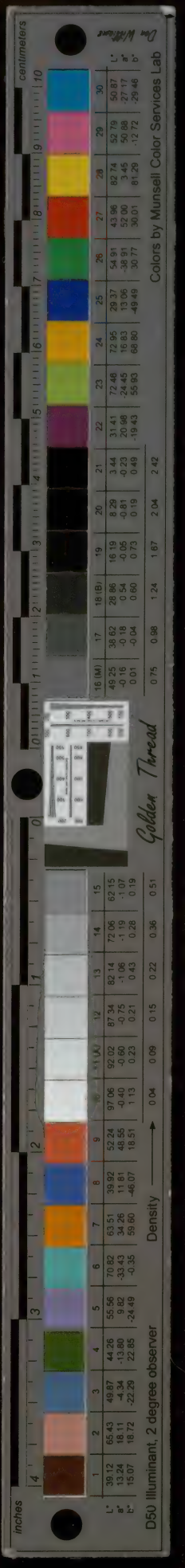
No. 4. James Wining Janitor 100. -
Shepard, A.S. Furniture 14. -
R. Lerick for Ho " 20.75
J.S. Williams Ho " 25.45
N. Hibner " 5. -
R.W. Pegley for Painting 54. - 219.20

No. 5. R.C.M. Murtrie - Fee - Manners 1,200. -
Samuel Robb - Master - Fee 750. -
Prothonotary fee 17.50
Recorder's Fee 29.25
Allen, Lane & Scott - Printing 225.80 2,222.55

No. 6. Fees - Tax Case 4,000. -
Allen Lane & Scott - Printing 220.75
Less 1/5 paid by Library Co. 4,220.75
844.15 3,376.60
\$ 6,133.60

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors: -

Pecks Gazetteer of Illinois	from	Chas. R. Hildeburn
Gen. Lambert Badwalader	"	Wm. H. Raule
Heathen World & St. Paul	"	R. L. Clark
Mc. Bergh on Development	"	"
Bandman on Suffering	"	"
Calendar of State Papers	"	Master of Rolls



Congressional Globe 5 vols.	from	Sam ^l . J. Randall
Survey West 100 Meridian	"	Gen. A. A. Humphreys
Grigsby's Discourse on Fuzewell	"	Rob ^t . P. Morton
Pettingill's Newspaper Directory	"	The Publishers
The Suffolk Bank	"	D. R. Whitney
Arguments on Patents	"	Sam ^l . J. Randall
Jamaica Centennial	"	Berry Orndorff Jr.
Tracts	"	John H. Carr.

On motion adjourned to August 8th

Lloyd Smith
Secretary pro tem.

A Meeting of the Directors. Aug 8th 1878
Present

Meep McCall

Lea

Cramond

Arnold

Biddle

Buckley

Mister

Treasurer

The following Orders were drawn on
the Treasurer

No 465 Librarian's Salary 3^{mo} 450.-

Treasurer's " 50.-

B. Owen Assistant " 200.-

\$ 700.-

No 466 W. B. Lippincott Books 350.37

J. C. Potter Hcs " 3.-

Pawson & Meddison Binding 720.55

O. K. Collins Printing 152.48

J. L. Dunsen Stationery 30.-

Moysen " 29.89

M. Gibbs Dusty books 50.-

Bulletin of the Association 100.- 109.62 1477.91

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The following Orders were drawn, payable out of the funds of the Ridway House No 7 Moor M. Abbott Apr 3rd 450.-

- J. Winning Janitor 1.. 50.-
O. Peret Watchman 1.. 31.- 531.-
8 J. M. Christen Books 60.-
J. W. Duce Binding 114.90
Ransom & Alderson .. .75 175.65
9 S. W. Drake Cellar floor 1,278.50
N. Krupf Furniture 250.-
J. E. Malabar .. 157.02
George Howard .. 60.-
J. W. Duce Stationery 42.-
Mo p Mo .. 26.15 1813.67
10. B. E. Sawyer for £ 200 - to be remitted to S. W. Drake for the purchase of books

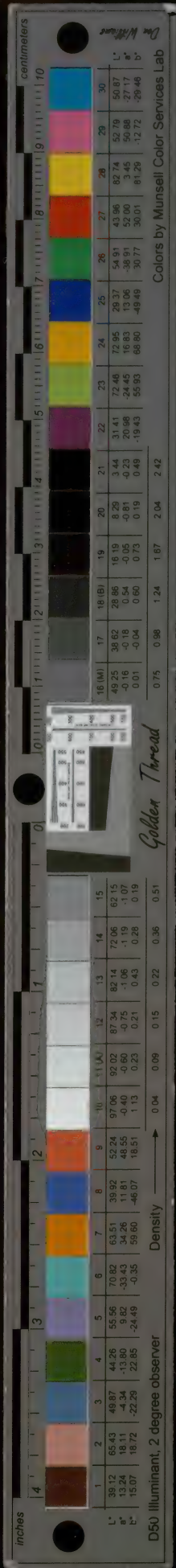
The Librarian reported the decease of Robert Coleman Esq, the agent of the Board in London & Paris.

The following transfer was approved Adm J. H. Seymour to Fanny Perry

An application was rec^d from Mrs James C. Hand for a reduction of rent from \$3,000 - to \$3,500. - After deliberation, the agent W. Clifford Lewis was authorized to reduce the rent on this property by the sum of \$1,000 - a year.

Also the rent of Wm B. Haring 445 Magnolia St by the sum of \$2. - per month.

It was agreed that all future applications of a similar kind should be referred by the Agent to the



Chairman of the Finance Committee

The Committee on the Organization and management of the Railway Branch reported the following Resolution, which was agreed to unanimously.

Resolved, That the Salary of the Librarian be increased by the additional sum of one thousand dollars per annum to be paid out of the funds of the Railway Branch; this increase to date from 1 May last.

The following presents were recd for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Doct Shaker publications from the Librarian	
Shultz on leather	" " author
Murphy's theology	" R. Clark
Loubet's medallic history	" "
Report on Education	" U.S. Commission
" " "	" Conn. Board
Catalogue Harrill Lib	" Trustees
Report Internal Affairs	" Secretary
Lloyd W. Smith	
Key pro tem.	

At a meeting of the Directors Sep 6 1878

Mr Lewis	Bridale
McCall	Lea
Hare	Arnold
	& Secretary

The Committee on Finance reported that they had invested for the Building Fund \$4000 - in U.S. 4% Bonds

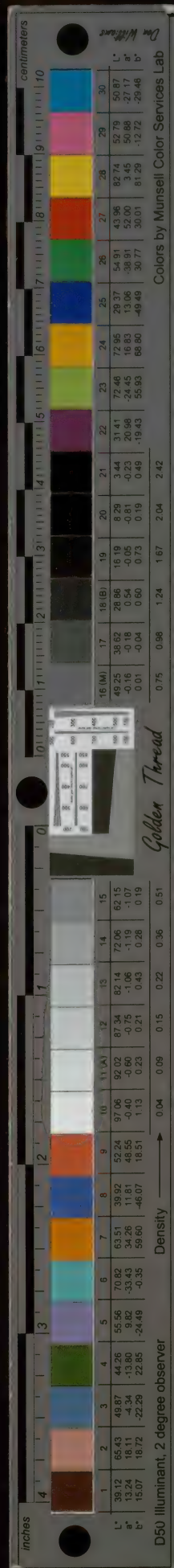
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Mr Lea was appointed a Committee to make terms with Messrs J. B. Lippincott & Co in regard to a new edition of Rush on the Voice.

The Treasurer reported that he had received from the Executors of Dr Rush the title deeds and policies of Insurance, the latter numbered 1 to 64, of the properties conveyed to the Library Co., as follows:

List of Insurances on Property of Library Co. of Philad^a

Properties	Insurance	
	Amount	Company
No. 614 & 616 Market	\$ 2.250.	on each building - Girard Fire Ins. Co.
	2.500.	on 614 }
	& 3.000.	" 616 } in Phil ^a Contributionship
Decatur St. in rear of above	{ 1.500	in Phil ^a Contributionship
	& 500	" Girard Ins. Co.
No. 139 North Front St.	2.770.	" American Fire Ins. Co.
" 141 " " "	4.117.	" do
" 239 " " "	{ 2.000.	Mutual Assurance Co.
	{ 1.000.	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
" 241 " " "	{ 2.000.	Mutual Assurance Co.
	{ 1.000	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
" 66 " " "	3.000.	do
" 64 " " "	2.000.	do
" 443 & 445 Magnolia St.	600.	on each house - Mutual Assurance Co.
" 415 South Street	{ 1.500.	Mutual Assurance Co.
	{ 2.000.	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
" 4, Berlin St. (in rear of above)	{ 400.	Mutual Assurance Co.
	{ 800.	"
" 6. " " " "	800.	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
	400.	"
S. W. cor. 12 th & Callowhill Sts.	1.000.	American Ins. Co.
No. 1202. Callowhill St.	{ 1.000.	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
	{ 2.000.	"
" 1204 " "	{ 2.000.	American Ins. Co.
	{ 1.000.	"
" 1206 " "	{ 1.000.	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
	{ 2.000.	"
" 1208. " "	{ 2.000	American Ins. Co.
	{ 1.000	"
" 330 North Twelfth St.	{ 1.000	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
	{ 2.000	"
" 332 " "	{ 2.000.	American Ins. Co.
	{ 1.000.	"
" 334 " "	{ 1.000	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
	{ 2.000	"



No. 139 New Street	{ 1250. 750.	Mutual Assurance Co. Girard Fire Ins. Co.
Nos 17, 19, 21, 25 & 27 Penna. Av.	300.	on each - in Mutual Assurance Co.
No. 133 North Eighth St.	5.000.	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
" 148 " " "	{ 1.000. 3.000.	Mutual Assurance Co.
" 150. " " "	4.000.	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
" 152 " " "	{ 4.000. 1.200.	Mutual Assurance Co.
Nos 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Jenkins Place (near of 21 St.)	600.	on each - Amer. Fire Ins. Co.
" 8 & 9 " " "	500.	" " - Phil ^a . Contributionship
" 23 North Second Street	200.	Phil ^a . Contributionship
" 25 " " "	{ 1.000. 1.500.	Amer. Fire Ins. Co. Girard Fire Ins. Co.
" 21 " " "	{ 2.000. 1.500.	Phil ^a . Contributionship
" 10 South Second Street	{ 2.000. 1.000.	Girard Fire Ins. Co.
" 516 Vine Street	800.	Fire Association
" 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 Clawges Court	200.	on each - Fire "

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:

Library Company	\$ 2,132.67
Loganian Dr.	218.53
Building Fund	7.77
Ridgway Branch	7,782.80
In London	£ 133.17.8
" Paris	fr. 997.20

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer:-

No. 467.	D. Appleton & Co	Books	\$ 4.	
	H. Onderdonk Jr.	"	1.	
	M ^{rs} Bushing	"	2.59	
	W. A. Tisdall	"	5.-	
	M. Ward & Co	"	.88	
	Jno. Lafferty	"	2.-	
	"	"	2.-	\$ 17.17

157.

No. 1168.	Gross Hallway	Binding	6.60	
	Am. Library Ass ⁿ	"	11.25	
	Inquirer	Advg	9.75	
	N. American	"	8.75	<u>\$ 36.35</u>

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch:-

No. 11. 4 mo Salary-Librarian - tot. amt. \$ 333.33

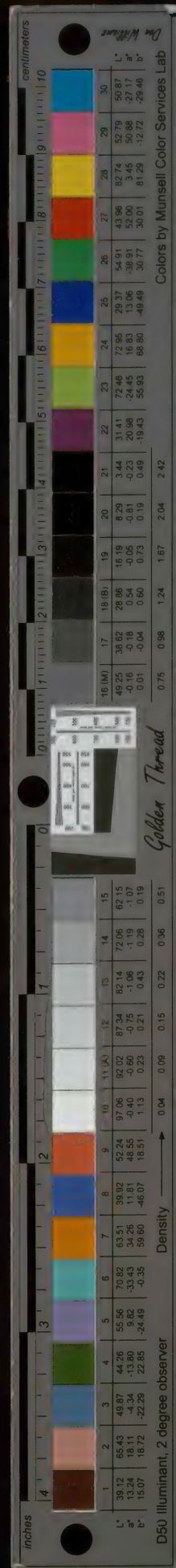
1 "	"	- G. M. Abbott Asst	150. -	
1 "	pay	- J. Winning - Janitor	50. -	
1 "	"	- S. Parst - Watchman	31. -	
	J. K. Bannell - Cataloguing		60. -	<u>\$ 624.33</u>

No. 12.

Benjamin Detcham - Shelving	3,490. -	
Kempthorpe - Carpenter Work	450. -	
R. J. Bancroft - Iron gate	34.50	
Upchurch & Son - Plumbing	25.77	
Barrington, De Roche Ho - Shades	24. -	
M. Ward Ho - Books	2.62	<u>4,024.89</u>

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

12 vols. Buffalo Directories	from	Buffalo Hist. Socy -
Year Book of Education	"	E. Steiger
Industrial Statistics of Pa.	"	Secy - of Internal Affairs
Penna. Archives	"	" " State
Lightfoot on Gallatians	"	R. G. Clark
Hall's Contemplations	"	"
Bowditch's Hygiene in America	"	A friend
Lea's Superstition & Force - 2 ^d ed.	"	The Author
Woodman's Boys of the Revolution	"	R. G. Clark



Fisher on Insanity	from	R. C. Clark
Catalogue of Allen's Chess Library	"	Lloyd P. Smith
Statistics of Labor	"	Massachusetts Bureau
We Three	"	R. C. Clark
Tanna's Sermons	"	"
Dickson's	"	"
Mordy's Talks on Temperance	"	"
Life and death eternal	"	"
Kennedy's School of the family	"	"
King on Ships of War	"	Secs. of the Navy
Keyser's Fairmount Park	"	Hall & Carpenter
Presbyterianism in Central N.Y.	"	R. C. Clark
Lutheran Diet 1877	"	Rev. C. P. Krantz
" Monographs No. 1.	"	"
W. D. Court Survey 1875	"	Superintendent
Church offering	"	R. C. Clark
Boundary of N. Jersey & Delaware	"	John Clement
Ms. Arabic Dictionary	"	J. P. Nicholson

Mr Newbold reported that he had had an interview with Mr Hand one of the tenants of the Ridgway Branch who declined the offer of the board to continue his lease of the property No 14 & 66 Market at the rate (\$4000. - per annum) offered by the Board. Mr Hand offered to renew his lease at \$3750 - which was agreed to.

The Librarian laid on the table a list of some of the more valuable works in the private library of Dr. Rush which are to be preserved in the Memorial Room of the Ridgway Branch. They consist of about 130 vols of illustrated folio works

on Architecture and Antiquities.

The Librarian reported that James Nimick, Janitor of the Ridgway Branch had resigned on account of age, and that the house occupied by him was now vacant. The question of a successor was referred to the Committee on the Ridgway Branch.

Adjourned to meet in October at the Ridgway Branch.

Lloyd Smith
Secy pro tem.

A Meeting of the Directors Oct 3rd 1878
held at the Ridgway Branch
Present

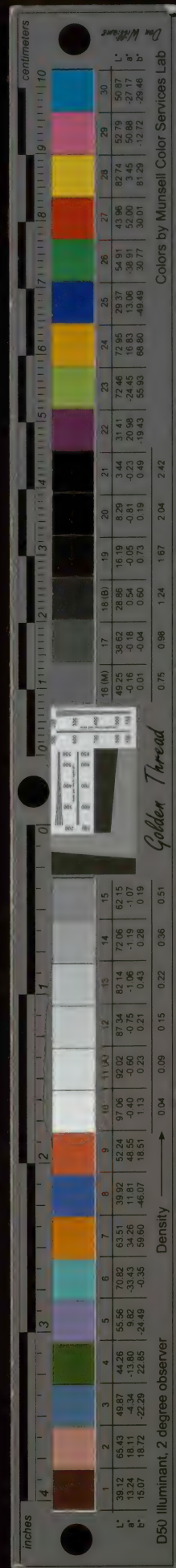
Mrp Milning
Webb
Crawford

Mauston
Puckey
Treasurer

The following Orders were drawn payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch No 13 for Eight hundred and twenty three ³⁴/₁₀₀ Dollars to pay:

Current Expenses to Accounts for	500.00
Librarian & Treasurer for September	83.34
Assistant in Charge " "	150.00
Stephen Faret Notary	30.00
J. G. Barnard Cataloguing	60.00
	<u>823.34</u>

No 14 for Eighty seven ⁵⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars to pay:



Am. Library App^r Furniture 37.50
 Charles Fabel " 17.-
 L. A. Williams " 32.-
 Roberts & Shaw Moving Van 1.- 87.50
 No 15 for One hundred and ninety ⁶⁰/₁₀₀
 Dollars to pay:

G. Deuerlich Books 185.35

Charles Robson " 5.25 190.60

The following transfers were approved
 Jessie Elder to J. B. Lippincott
 E. M. J. Meppan " Altie Meppan
 Alan W. Corton " Thos Chamberlain

W. Lea made a Report recommending
 that an edition of 500 copies of Rush on the
 voice be printed, but not advising the casting
 of stereotype plates. The Committee also recommended
 that the bulk of the stock of Dr. Rush's other
 books be transferred to the Ridgway Branch
 for safety which was agreed to, and action on
 the subject of a new edition of Rush on the
 voice was postponed.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch
 recommended the appointment of Edward
 McMath as Janitor in place of and at
 the same compensation as James Minnie
 resigned. Agreed to.

Also that certain necessary gas-burners
 should be procured for the Ridgway Branch:

That a list should be made in the North
 wing of the same to cost \$225.-

That slate should be substituted for
 wood in the urns on the floor: \$40.-

That the walls of the Janitor's House
 should be papered:

155.
And that the portrait of the founder
of the Lapanian Library and the picture
of his residence be transferred to the
Ridgway Branch; all of which was agreed to.

The Treasurer reported that Morace
Brook ~~was~~^{is} the executor of Robert Coleman
decd^{late} the Library agent in Paris.

The Treasurer also reported that he
had received the following Title Papers
to the estate of Dr. Rush conveyed by
Henry J. Williams Executor to the Library
See These title papers together with the
Deed conveying the estate to the Company
will be in a tin box in the
Directors Room at the Ridgway Branch.

Schedule of Title Papers

Broad & 13th and Christian & Carpenter Sts. Ridgway Library.

1866. Sept. 22. Maria B. Helmuth et al. to W^m S. Helmuth et al. S. R. B. 479 - 1107

" " " W^m S. Helmuth et al. to Maria B. Helmuth et al. S. R. B. 479 - 1110

1869 Jan. 2. Maria B. Helmuth et al. to Charles Smith S. R. B. 406 - 117

" June 10. Char. Smith & Wife to Henry J. Williams Ex^r & S. R. B. 405 - 373

Brief of Title - Searches &c.

S. W. cor. 12th & Callowhill Sts. { 1200, 1202, 1204, 1206 & 1208 Callowhill St. 330, 332 & 334 N. 12th St.

1827 Aug. 11. Eliza Hamilton Ex^r to John & Archibald Smyth S. R. B. 20 - 1

1828 July 21. Tho^s Morgan's Wife to " " " S. R. B. 21 - 1111

1829 May 7. Eliza Hamilton et al. to " " " S. R. B. 21 - 404, 411 & 415

1835 Dec. 12. Heirs at Law of J. A. Smyth to Sam^l Smyth S. R. B. 69 - 535

1838 Jan. 12. Sam^l Smyth's Wife to Jas. McChung S. R. B. 20 - 512

1838 Feb. 23. Jas. M. Bling's Wife to Jacob Ridgway

S. 76. 8. 20 - 635

Brief of Title &c.

Also Geo. Bent Deed. H. J. Williams Trustee to John
Ambruster for lot S. side of Callanhill 62 ft. 2. of 13th

3. 415 South St. and 486 Berlin St.

1785 Mch. 26 Chas. Hunt to Wm Griffiths S. 7. 16 - 178

1787 May 22 Jacob Baker et al. to Wm Stiles No. 24 - 10

1793 April 5 Geo. Wood to Jacob Durang " 63 - 207

1794 Dec. 31 Ex^r of Wm Griffiths to Isaac M. Shaine " 53 - 19

1795 June 3 " " " Joseph Hume S. 7. 16 - 181

" Oct. 14 Jo^s Hume's Wife to Abraham Sink No. 52 - 307

1798 Nov. 7 Jacob Durang's Wife " " " 71 - 315

1807 Dec. 31 Isaac M. Shaine's Wife " " S. 7. 29 - 274

1808 Jan. 18 H^os J. Stiles's Wife " " " 617

Brief of Title

11. 17. 19. 21. 25. 27. & 29 Pennsylvania Avenue.

1822 Mch. 20. Geo. North Shiff. to Sam^l. Smith & H^os. M. Calhoun S. 76. 3. 291

Endorsed Deed Roll. Smith & M. Calhoun to the Bank of
N. America. dated 1831 July 28. S. 76. 3. 462.

1822 April 19. Deed of Hunt. Smith & M. Calhoun to Bk. N. America S. 76. 3. 403

1833 Feb. 6. The Bk. N. America to Jacob Ridgway S. 76. 30 - 641

Brief of Title.

6. 516. Vine St. & Clawges Court

1783 Feb. 3. Leonard Jacoby's Wife to Nicholas Reb. Reserving R. of \$44. No. 13 - 12

1784 Dec. 29. Nich. Reb & Wife to Christian Ludwig Hellriegel " " 146

1787 May 10. G. L. Hellriegel to George Mauder " 34 - 361

1792 April 30. Ex^r of Geo. Mauder to Christian Sulger " 37 - 127

" Oct. 30. Christian Sulger to Nicholas Reb " 38 - 97

1800 Feb. 25. Nicholas Reb to Daniel Clawges S. 7. 6. 283

1838 July 20. Ex^r of Daniel Clawges to Hume's Smith S. 76. 8. 23 - 513

1864 April 30. Susanna Smith to James Rush M. S. S. 12. 13. 15 - 466

7. 62, 64, & 66. N. Front St. cor. Arch

8. 1736 Dec. 24. Francis Raule & Wife to Caleb Rausted *E. H. 8 - 100*
8. 1747 May 26. Cabel Rausted & Wife to Robert Strettet *E. H. 8 - 100*
" June 21. Robert Strettet & Wife to Ann Strettet *" " - 100*
1754 July 30. Ann Strettet to Wm. Dorell *H. Vol. 4 - 435*
1759 Dec. 14. Saml. Morris Shff. to Benjamin Raule *" " - 19 - 277*
1802 Feb. 2. Grace Parr to Conrad Keller *E. H. 8 - 100*
1811 Dec. 29. Francis Johnston Shff. to Jacob Peterson *J. C. 23 - 194*
1834 Feb. 24. Wm. Peterson & Wife to Jacob Ridgway *A. M. 111 - 582*
1835 Mch. 21. Conrad Keller & Wife to Edward Smith *" 63 - 16*
" Nov. 16. Edward Smith & Wife to Jacob Ridgway *S. H. 7. 4 - 399*
1862 Mch. 8. Dr. J. R. Barton et al. to Dr. James Rush *A. C. 16. 43. 52*

9. 139 & 141. N. Front St.

8. 1809 Nov. 22. Wm. J. Smith to Jacob Ridgway *J. C. 14 - 589*
10. Printed pamphlet containing Deeds of Partition of
Ridgway Estate.

Brief of Title

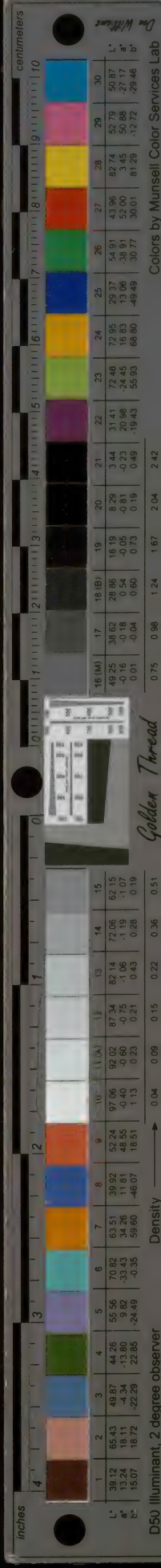
11. 239 & 241. N. Front St.

8. 1760 April 14. Jonathan Miffin Adm^r to Jacob Bright *H. Vol. 13 - 90*
12. 1763 Mch. 18. Abraham Mason & Wife to Jacob Bright *H. Vol. 17 - 557*
1784 Dec. 28. Cabel Emlen & Wife to Jacob Bright *No. 12 - 190*
1811 May 11. Robt. J. Raule to Jacob Ridgway *J. C. 14 - 1113*
1832. Jan. 31. Adm^r of Isaac Jones to Jacob Ridgway *A. M. 23 - 42*

Brief of Title

13. 21, 23 & 25 N. 2nd St. & 9. Houses Jenkins Place or John C^t

- 1745 April 29. Rev. Ashbridge Jr. to Thomas Paschall *G. Vol. 6 - 201*
1748 Aug. 3. Edward Warner & Wife " " *H. Vol. 3 - 178*
1754 Sept. 18. Abraham Reeker et al. " " *" " - 183*
1796 July 15. Ex^r of Thos. Paschall dec^d to John Olden *A. 9. 59 - 169*
1804 May 28. David Olden & Wife to Jas. Olden Jr. in Trust *E. 8. 17 - 519*



- 1816 Nov. 9. Assignees of Jas. Olden to W^m Abbott - Deed Poll enclosed
 W^m Abbott's wife to Jas. Olden. 1817 May 10. M. R. 11. 188
 1825 May 26. Susan Olden to Timothy B. Mount G. W. R. 4. 556
 " " 28. Jas. Olden's wife " " " 554
 " Dec. 20. W^m Rawle et al. " " (for ind. sent) G. W. R. 10. 75
 1831 Mch. 11. Timothy B. Mount's wife to Jacob Ridgway A. M. 11. 348
 1836 April 9. John B. Natunough Shff. to do A. M. 15. 316

114. 10. S. 2nd St.

- 1809 July 5. Samuel Sanson et al. to Joseph Merrifield J. C. 7. 314
 1811. Feb. 19. Joseph Merrifield's wife to Jacob Ridgway J. C. 13. 151

15. 614 & 616 Market St. cor. Deatur

- 1744 Sept. 14. Joshua Carpenter's wife to Char. Moore. G. R. £5.15 - Deed Poll
 enclosed. Same to same. Jan. 15. 1744/5 for ind. sent G. Vol. 12. 205
 1745 July 3. Joshua Carpenter's wife to John Billeylan G. Vol. 7. 24
 1754 June 26. John Billeylan's wife to Walter Clymer No. 67. 208
 1760 Feb. 5. Charles Moore's wife to John Reily No. 18. 442
 " Mch. 1. John Reily's wife to Geo. Ernst Lachler. G. R. £12. No. 18. 444 Deed Poll
 enclosed Ann Emken et al. to G. S. Lachler for G. R. 1778 Dec. 31. No. 19. 55858
 1770 May 18. Ex^{rs} of John Reily to Geo. Emken for ind. sent J. Vol. 12. 372.
 1797 Dec. 30. John Clymer's wife to Christopher Beyerly No. 68. 90
 1807 May 30. Ex^{rs} of Geo. Ernst Lachler to W^m Beyerly E. & 26. 581
 1811 Mch. 2. Andrew Beyerly to John Beyerly J. C. 20. 68
 1831. July 1. John Beyerly's wife to Jacob Ridgway A. M. 18. 75

16. 443 & 445 Magnolia St.

- 1820 Sept. 12. David W. Ridgway to Thomas Ridgway J. W. 9. 603
 1823 Sept. 13. (Enclosed on above) Thos. Ridgway's wife to Daniel W. Ridgway J. H. 9. 224
 1825 June 4. John Douglass Shff. to Jacob Ridgway G. W. R. 8. 190
 Brief of title

17- 139 New Street (Keys Alley or Federal St.)

1830 June 18. George Rees Shff. to Jacob Ridgway
Brief of Title

A. M. 11. 530

18- N. E. cor. 8th & Cherry Sts. (133 N. 8th)

1807 Mch. 17. Peter Woglom's Wife to Joseph Kenton

S. H. 26. 231

1810 Sept. 24. Jane Woglom to Joseph Kenton

J. C. 10. 578

1845 Sept. 18. Ex^o of Joseph Kenton to Joseph Murray

R. R. 30. 226

1859 Mch. 2. Isaac Murray et al. to Sam^l. B. King

A. M. 11. 56-11211

1864 July 23. Sam^l. B. King to James Rush M. D.

S. R. 11. 147-153

Brief of Title

19- 148, 150. & 152. N. 8th St.

1799 Dec. 24. James John Mazurie to W^m. Dyer. Reserving h. R^o of \$136. A^o 78. 117

Deed Poll endorsed - James John Mazurie to Josiah

Andibert. for h. R^o of \$136. - 1814 July 27.

L. P. 31. 571

1801 Dec. 3. Israel Israel Shff. to Jacob Schreiner

C. P. Shff. 10. 138. D. 257

1802 Jan. 1. Jacob Schreiner to Archibald McConaghy (counterpart)

1817 Aug. 1. Th^o. Tunstun Shff. to Matthew Randall

S. C. Shff. 20. 138. 510

1822 May 31. Caleb North Shff. to "The Philad^a. Bank"

J. H. 3. 620

1831 Oct. 1. "The Philad^a. Bank" to Griffith Evans

A. M. 20. 668

" Oct. 3. Ex^o of Jacob Schreiner to Griffith Evans

A. M. 20. 670

1832 Jan. 4. Griffith Evans's Wife to Jacob Ridgway

A. M. 20. 672

1847 Sept. 2. Christopher Garnier to Francis J. Humbat

for h. R^o of \$136. (A. M. 11. 73-238)

1854 June 18. (End. on above) Francis J. Humbat to Julia Williams Rush

for h. R^o of \$136. (A. M. 11. 111-81)

1859. Oct. 4. Alex. Biddle & Julia W. his Wife to Dr. James Rush

" " (A. M. 11. 83-103)

Brief of Title

20- 259 N. 9th St.

1831 Mch. 9. George Rees Shff. to Jacob Ridgway

A. M. 11. 538

Brief of Title



Carpenter St. Lots

1845 April 26. Dr. Jas. Rush & Phoebe Ann his wife to Henry J. Williams, In Trust,
for 1/3 interest in lot N. side of Carpenter St. extending from
9th to 10th Sts. - 226.4 deep. Also lnd. rent of \$90. issuing
out of lot on E. side of 20th (formerly, Del^y 3^d) St. 20 ft. N. of Ward -

Book containing survey of property of Dr. James Rush.

* Deed 1846 April 8. Dr. John Rhea Barton et al. to Henry J. Williams
Trustee - for 6 hundred Rents - [Not included in

* of no value, the 9th rent conveyance to Library Co.]
see copy since destroyed

21 1st Deed of Trust -

R. & L. 42 - 223.

1843 July 8. Dr. James Rush & Phoebe Ann his wife
to Henry J. Williams - In Trust

25 Deeds. bound together - [In leather case.]

1844 June 29. Dr. John Rhea Barton et al. to Dr. James Rush and
Phoebe Ann his wife - (Partition of part of
Ridgway Estate)

1844 Dec. 31. Dr. James Rush & Phoebe Ann his wife to Henry J. Williams
In Trust, for property included in above deed.

1846 Feb. 27. Dr. John Rhea Barton et al. to Dr. Rush & Phoebe Ann his wife
(Partition of Carpenter St. lots)

Loyd W. Smith
Sec'y pro tem

161.
At a Meeting of the Directors Nov 7 1878
Present

Meo McCall
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Minutes Nov 7. 1878 vol 8. 161

Mr Lea was authorized to have an edition of Rush on the voice printed in accordance with the will of the founder of the Ridgway Branch

Minutes Oct 3. 1878 Mr Lea made a Report recommending that an edition of 500 copies of Rush on the voice be printed vol 8. p. 154

Minutes Dec 5. 1878

The Committee to make terms with a publisher for an edition of "Rush on the voice" reported the following correspondence (letters from J.B. Lippincott & Mr Lea, being an order for five hundred copies) vol 8. p. 154

Minutes Feb 6. 1879

order drawn paying J.B. Lippincott for edition "Rush on the voice" \$766.40. vol 8. p. 202

Minutes Mar 11. 1879

copies of the new edition "Rush on the voice" just issued, to be presented to Henry J. Williams and Alexander Biddle vol 8. p. 209

Subscription paper for that object at the desk
Mr Lea was authorized to have an edition of Rush on the voice printed in accordance with the will of the founder of the Ridgway Branch.

Carpenter St. Lots

1845 April 26. Dr. Jas. Rush & Phoebe Ann his wife to Henry J. Williams, In Trust,

for $\frac{1}{3}$ interest in lot N. side of Carpenter St. extending from

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Minutes April 7. 1892

The Ridgway Committee made over
a report in connection with
which on motion of Mr
Yarnall the subject of
reprinting re "Rush on the
voice" was submitted to
The Committee with power

Minutes, Dec 1 1892

Order No 499 drawn to pay
for "Rush on the voice"

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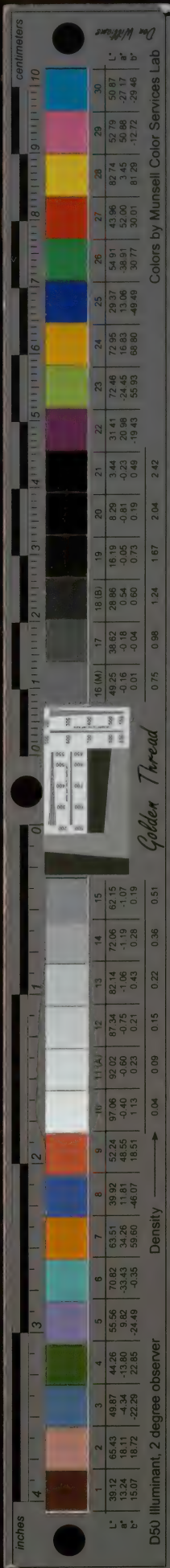
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9th to 10th Sts. 22 1/2 ft. deep. Also bid. sent of \$90. issuing

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At a Meeting of the Directors Nov 7 1878
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and Treasurer

The Treasurer reported that he had
received from Henry J. Williams Recutor
The following Certificates of Stock

6 shares Phila. and Lancaster Turnpike Co

12 " Union Mutual Insurance Co

9 " Danville & Pottsville R.R. Co

52 " Chesapeake and Delaware Canal

3 " Harrisburg, Portsmouth Mountjoy & Lancaster R.R.

21 " Bank of Pennsylvania

17 " Delaware City and Salem Steamboat Co

The Treasurer was authorized to say to Mr.
Williams that they would approve of the transfer
of the share of Dr Benjamin Rush dec'd by
him.

The Chap Library of the late Professor Allen
being for sale en bloc for \$3000., and a
project having been set on foot by students and
alumni of the University of Pennsylvania to
purchase it to be presented to the Library,
and \$629. - having been already subscribed
the Librarian was authorized to open a
subscription paper for that object at the desk

Mr Sea was authorized to have an edition
of Rush on the voice printed in accordance
with the will of the Founder of the Ridgway
Branch.

The Secretary was authorized to affix the Seal of the Co. to a certificate that the Treasurer is authorized to endorse Government Checks for interest on Registered Bonds standing in the name of the Librarian.

The Librarian was instructed to place in both libraries distinct notices to the effect that all loud conversation is prohibited.

The Committee on a Fire Proof Building reported that they had obtained from R. C. M. Murtrie, Counsel of the Company the following

Opinion:—

About thirty years ago a subscription was begun for the erection of a fire proof building for the Library Company of Philadelphia. Subsequently Joseph Fisher left a specific legacy for the same purpose. These monies were invested, and with their accumulation amount to now about \$110,000. Of this about \$71,000. was employed in the purchase of a lot of ground at the corner of Locust and Juniper Streets about 110 feet front by 250 feet in depth. The residue is in proper securities. What represents these subscriptions and the bequest of Joseph Fisher among the assets of the Library has been entitled "The Building Fund", and a separate account kept of it, though no specific trust was created as to any part thereof, nor any fiduciary relation to any persons established except by the character of the gifts and subscriptions. After the greater part of the fund had accumulated the devise of Dr. Rush, for a similar purpose was made, but coupled with conditions which would probably render it impossible to make any permanent employment of the fund on the lot of ground belonging to the Ridgway Branch.

At the present time beside the lot held on behalf of the building fund the accumulations say about \$42,000. are sufficient for the erection of a fire proof building of moderate

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dimensions to be used in connection with the Rush building, though that will contain the greatest and most valuable part of the collection of books belonging to the Library.

The questions on which counsel's advice is desired are:—

1. Whether further accumulation of income of the building fund would be legal or proper.

2. If not, whether the surplus income can be employed in the purchase of books, until the sale of the present Library Building can be made on satisfactory terms.

3. If the income cannot be so employed, how far is it the duty of the Library Company to proceed to the erection of a fire proof building without further delay.

1. In my opinion the whole income of the Corporation including what comes from this fund must be counted in estimating the amount to which by law it is limited.

There is a trust no doubt, but it is nothing but a trust for a specific advantage or mode of enjoyment; like a trust to permit a man to occupy as a residence, or to apply the income to procuring him a residence. No one will I think question that in ascertaining the income of the beneficiary — for taxation, for instance, — this rental would be counted. He could not say 'I have \$300. for this, and \$300. for that, and am therefore within the \$300. exemption'.

On the other hand there is a trust, and one in the nature of, if not precisely a charity. It is a gift in aid of the scheme, and to be applied in a particular manner. It cannot be possible that a division could be sanctioned except where the design has been fulfilled or had become impossible. To assert that the design has been fulfilled involves the selection of the building on Broad Street, and an election to make that the permanent home of the Library building. + +

Then as to delay. The nature of such gifts implies a reliance on the discretion of the Corporation as to the time when

it is to be used. And this it appears to me is bounded and limited by one consideration. Is the fund sufficient? That, it is true, involves the plan, size &c. of the structure. But, when it is admitted that for the purpose intended to be executed there are sufficient funds, then, I think, the duty to execute arises. Of course I admit that there will be a liberal allowance for discretion as to time growing out of prices either of the securities or wages and materials. But while there is sufficient for the present purpose, there is another consideration that is almost too dangerous to refer to. I mean Mr. Price's act of the 26th of April 1855. S. 12. the effect of which seems to have been intended to confiscate all incomes of charities not actually expended during the year. Absurd and preposterous as this is if literally construed, it will be difficult to draw the line. I have always been afraid of this act, and there are men in abundance who would not hesitate to enforce it for the usual reward paid for the information in such cases.

2. I am not able to perceive what bearing the capacity to sell the present building has on the question. The gift was intended to relieve the company from the risk of using this building. Therefore it is not like the case where the income fund is applied in building, and must be replaced by the sale of the old one, or the Corporation perish for lack of income. In my opinion the limit of the right to use the income in purchasing books is, when the scheme has become wholly impracticable, or has been justifiably abandoned, or there is a surplus after the purpose has been performed.

3. In my opinion the test will be to consider the Directors as if they were trustees appointed by a testator to use the fund in this way, and having no other connection with the Library. I presume they would in that case ask these questions 1. Is a building wanted i.e. has it been otherwise supplied? 2. Have we enough money to put up a proper building? If the directors can but sever their double relation of managers of this fund for a specific purpose, and

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managers of the Company for the benefit of Share-holders whose interest it is to increase the reading facilities, I think they will find that it is the latter which causes any difficulty in determining their duties in the former capacity.

R. G. M^c Murtrie

Oct. 31. 1878.

The following letter was received:—

The Pennsylvania Museum
& School of Industrial Art.
Philadelphia October 9th 1878

My
Lloyd P. Smith Esq.

Treas. & Librarian &c.

Library Company of Philadelphia

Dear Sir,

The Trustees of this Corporation have been informed that your Company have in their possession a collection of Coins and Medals, and would respectfully inquire if it is not possible to have this collection deposited, as a loan in the Museum. An arrangement is about being perfected with the Numismatic and Antiquarian Society by which they will place their collection in charge of the Museum Trustees for exhibition, and it would be most desirable to have this department supplemented by the Coins of the Library Company.

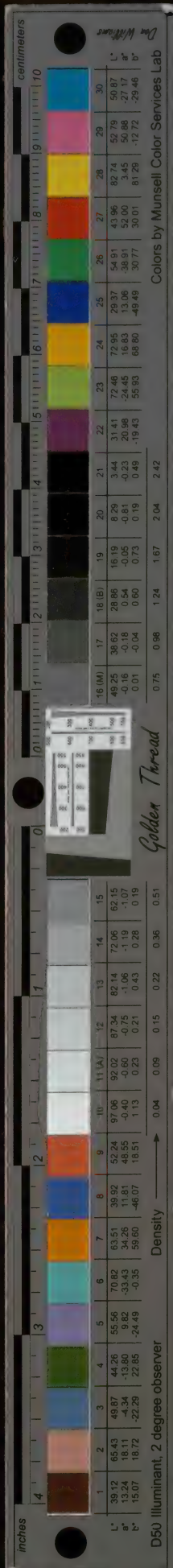
Enclosed you will please find a list of the Board of Trustees as at present constituted.

Yours Respectfully

H. Dumont Wagner

Sec'y.

The Librarian stated that these coins were contained in a box now in the Director's Room of the Ridgway Branch, having been received about a hundred years ago in exchange for a share.



The collection of coins being foreign to the purposes of a Library, and contrary to the Will of Dr. Rush, the Librarian was authorized to deposit all coins and medals belonging to the Library with the Pennsylvania Museum and School of Industrial Art, taking a detailed receipt for the same, returnable on demand.

The Treasurer reported the following synopsis of the expenditures of the Rush Estate condensed from the Executor's account by Counsel:-

Summary of Expenditures from July 1 st 1869 to Sept. 30, 1878	
Ridgway Library lot and building	\$814.348.66
Legacies	200. -
Annuities	66.920. -
Salaries of Clerks	7.141.68
Executor's Counsel fees	13.850. -
Legal Expenses	3.490.21
Repairs to real estate, other than Library, and miscellaneous expenses -	9.186.45
Dr. Rush's Monument	729.60
Income taxes	3.667.93
Collateral Inheritance Taxes	49.906.95
Taxes, ground Rents, Water & Sewer Rents.	82.869.02
Executor's Commission	45.186.91
Library Co. of Philad ^a . to buy books	4.000.
less returned	2.957.48
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	<u>14.242.52</u>
	\$ 1,111.739.93

Balance in hands of Executor as per final
Account filed Oct. 2, 1878 - \$1,923.52.

The Committee on a Fire Proof Building were requested to report what, in their opinion would be the requirements of a fire proof building to be constructed for use in connection with

the Ridgway Branch, and to furnish a sketch-plan, with estimate of cost, the building to possess ample accommodations for a Reading Room.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands: -

Library Company	2,688.67
Loganian	979.77
Building Fund	187.77
Ridgway Branch	6,628.39
In London	£. 23,10,10
" Paris	fr. 997.20

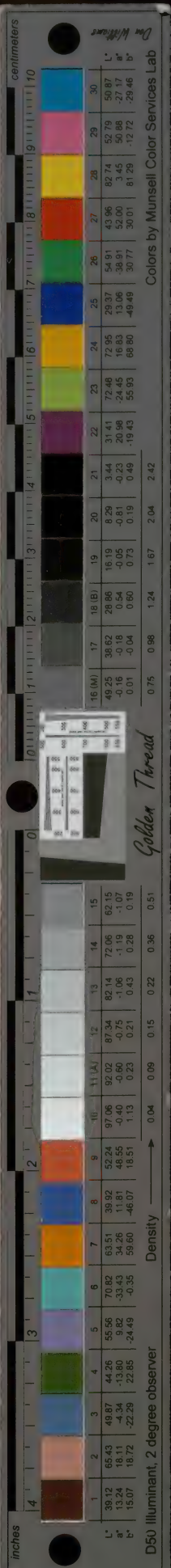
The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer: -

No. 469.	J. G. Bainwell, Cataloguing	\$ 40.	
	Librarian's Salary 3mis to 1. Inst.	\$ 450.	
	Treasurer's Salary " " "	50.	
	B. Owen - Assistant - " " "	200.	\$ 740.-

No. 470.	Southern Historical Socy - Books	6.	
	A. Starbuck " "	4.	
	Little Brown Ho " "	5.	
	J. W. Christen " "	1.70	
	Polytechnic Review " "	3.-	
	E. H. Barnes Ho " "	1.50	
	Benjamin Owen " "	43	21.63

No. 471.	Braydhouse & Atkinson - Repairs	59.65	
	R. P. Johnson " "	7.30	
	Geo. S. Stewart " "	61.45	
	Thomas S. Stone " "	1.50	
	Seward & Stevens " "	3.-	132.90

The following orders were drawn on the



Treasurer payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch:-

No. 16.	Caroline Little	Grav's Annuity due 26 th	\$ 900.-	
	Mary G. Ritchie	" "	500.	
	Anne Maria Rush	" "	180.	
	S. Catharine Rush	" "	180.	
	Julia W. Biddle	" "	900.	
	Col. Richard H. Rush	" "	180.	\$ 2,840.-

No. 17.	Lloyd P. Smith Librarian	1 Mo.	83.33	
	George M. Abbot Assistant	"	150.-	
	John G. Barnwell Cataloguing		40.-	
	Edward M. Grath Janitor	1 Mo.	50.-	
	Stephen Paret Watchman	"	31.-	354.33

No. 18.	B. Ketcham Shelving		1,800.	
	Geo. B. Brown Repairs		48.	
	Pancost's Maule	"	39.54	
	Edward M. Grath Carpenter Work		35.	
	David M. Burrey Repairs		104.27	
	Barrington, De Touche & Co	"	24.-	2,050.81

No. 19.	E. S. Steward Books		38.64	
	Leary & Co	"	9.45	
	Bangs & Co	"	30.-	
	J. W. Bouton	"	30.-	
	H. B. Lane	"	1.88	
	C. R. Hildebrand	"	8.-	117.97

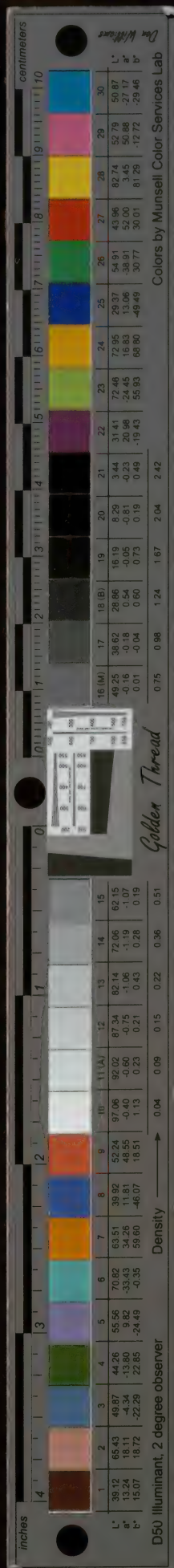
No. 20.	Am. Library Ass ⁿ Furniture		13.05	
	M. L. Frederick Engraving		9.50	
	Terree & Co Printing		10.-	
	Roberts & Meier Moving - \$1.25, .75 & \$3.-		5.-	37.55

The following transfers were approved: -

Edward L. Brinley	to	S. Harvey Thomas
Nicholas Guilbert	"	Albert B. Guilbert
J. C. Milligan	"	J. Hicks Conrad
John L. Yard	"	Eliza Pagan

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors: -

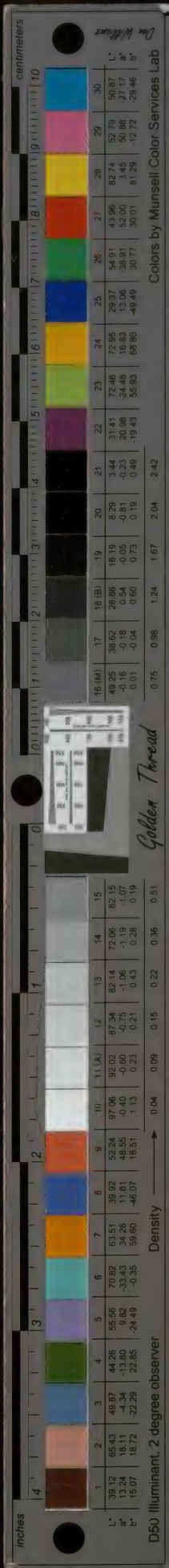
23 vols. U. S. Govt. Documents	from	Department of State
7 vols. Congressional Record	"	Hon. A. C. Warner
Piters - The New life	"	R. C. Clark
Pusey on the minor Prophets	"	do
Speakers Commentary. N. Y. Vol. 1	"	"
Hodge's Outline of Theology	"	"
Birmingham's Theological Lectures	"	"
Brooks's Bible for the Young	"	"
Jenkins's Lectures on the Prophecies	"	"
Alexander's Virtues of the Psalms	"	"
Foundations of our Faith	"	"
Young's Christ of History	"	"
Sermons by Phillips Brooks	"	"
Godet's Biblical Studies	"	"
Baker's Baptism in a Butshell	"	"
Hart's White and Maris Families	"	Chas. H. Hart
Pennsylvania R. R. by Sipes	"	Penna. R. R. Co.
Rau's Right Hand at Gettysburg	"	Mr Brooke Rau
Mackellai's American Painter	"	Mackellai, Smith & Jordan
Packard's Life of R. Owen	"	S. C. Perkins
Pennyhaeker Remin	"	S. W. Pennyhaeker
Itinerant observations in America	"	S. W. J. de Renne
Laws relating to Currency & Loans	"	H. C. Baird
History of Franklin Lodge I. O. of O. F.	"	The Lodge
Sherman's Address	"	John P. Nicholson
Saunders's Evenings with the Poets	"	Fred. Saunders



His Sweetheart	from	James A. Moore
Hotel and Guilt	"	do
Michell's Nature and Life	"	Nicholas Michell
" Ruins of many Lands	"	do
" Poetry of Creation	"	do
" The Immortals	"	do
Bispham's Principles of Equity	"	Geo. Tucker Bispham
Cliffords Overland Tales	"	Mary Morris Logan
Pennel. State Documents - 10 vols.	"	Hon. H. G. Jones
Warner's In the Wilderness	"	Mary Morris Logan
Philad ^a . Water Dept. Report (2 copies)	"	Wm. H. Mc.adden
How Lee lost his Cavalry	"	F. C. Newhall
Q. Pamph. Relating to the Reading R.R.	"	F. B. Brown
Cheralier's Marine Francaise	"	J. G. Rosengarten
Cleveland Public School Report	"	H. C. Baird Ho
Sargents' Address	"	J. P. Nicholson
Jeffries on Color Blindness	"	B. Jay Jeffries
Ashburnes Oil sands of Pa.	"	Engineers Club
Haupt on Removal of Smith's Island	"	do
Report on the Metric System	"	do
House & Street Drainage of Phil ^a	"	do
Sambors's Seneca Indians	"	J. W. Sanborn
Moore's Saint Paul	"	James Moore M. D.
" Our Redeemer's Kingdom	"	do
" Star in the East	"	do
" Blissful Bowers	"	do
Russell's Newspaper Directory for 1872	"	Publishers
U. S. Textile Manuf ^y " 1874	"	do
Hough's Report on Forestry	"	Hon. A. C. Hamman
St. Louis Public School Report	"	Superintendent
Chief Signal Officer's Report	"	Author
Coagmanock	"	do
Journal of Councils of Phil ^a	"	Councils

4. Pamph. Department of the Interior from Department
James' Manual of Georgia " Author
Barnell University Register " University.

Wm Henry Rouse
Secretary



At a meeting of the Directors Dec. 5. 1878
Present

Messrs. McCall

Wharton

Gramond

Biddle

Lea

Newbold

Wister

Buckley.

Secretary and Treasurer.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in
his hands viz.

Library Company	\$2,064.54
Loganian	919.64
Building Fund	580.25
Ridgway Branch	4,674.72
In London	£ 37.1.9
" Paris	fr. 997.20

It was moved that the Secretary be instructed to
affix the seal of the Company to a paper authorizing the
Treasurer to sell the U. S. Bond for \$500. No. 11030 (called in)
belonging to the Building Fund; and that the proceeds be
invested in U. S. 4% Registered Bonds. Agreed to.

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer
payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch:-

No. 21.	Lloyd P. Smith. Librarian 1 mo salary	\$83.33
	Geo. M. Abbott Asst. do " "	150.-
	J. S. Barnwell. Cataloguing 2 weeks	40.-
	Edward M. Grath. Janitor	50.
	Stephen Caset. Watchman	30
		<u>\$ 353.33</u>

No. 22.	Kemp & Harrison. Carpenter Work	2,445.59
	Amer. Library Association Furniture	25.-
	Phila. Gas Works. 132 feet pipe	111.-
		<u>2,581.59</u>

No. 23

Boiler Inspector

\$13.80

Pancost & Maule - running boilers

73.06

Roberts & Shaw - running boilers

8.75

6.50

10.50

5.-

30.75

117.61

The Treasurer presented the following Statement of expenses incurred at the Ridgway Branch not properly chargeable to income:-

Legal expenses

5.599.15

Orders for Shaking, Cellar, Furniture, inside shutters. 10.557.84

do - not yet presented, viz-

Putting grounds in order. Day

1.000.-

Fees to Architect

500.-

Elevator for North Wing

225.-

Gas fixtures

200.-

\$18,081.99

Received of Executors

12,598.25

And now in full

1,946.99

14,545.24

Payable out of income

\$3,536.75

Already paid

2,261.75

Cash on hand after orders to day

872.19

3,133.94

Amount to be derived out of future income

\$402.81

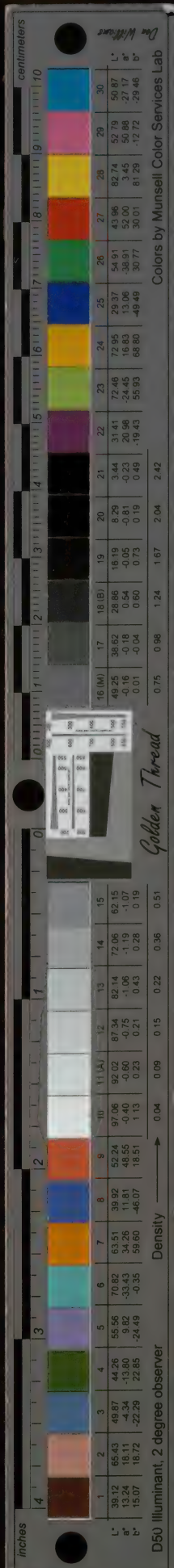
The Committee to make terms with a publisher for an edition of "Rush on the Voice", reported the following correspondence:

Philad^a Nov. 20, 1878

Henry B. Lea Esq.

Dear Sir,

We have looked over the copy of the revised edition of "Rush on the Voice", and find that owing to the many changes therein, we will be at increased expense in the production of the work. We would therefore ask that our estimate for manufacturing as submitted on the



12th instant, be amended to read \$765.00 for 500 copies in sheets.

Respecting its sale, we would undertake on the usual terms of Commission, viz. accounting semi-annually for all sold by us, at the wholesale price (which is reckoned at one third from the retail) less our Commission of 25%. Our Report of Sales would be rendered in January & July.

Yours very truly

J. B. Lippincott & Co.

Philadelphia Nov. 21st 1878

Gentlemen

I have your favor of yesterday, offering to print 500 copies of "Rush on the Voice" from the Author's revised copy for \$765. cash, exclusive of binding, the work to be done in handsome style, at least as good as the last edition. Your previous letter specified 20 cents as the charge for binding per copy - the binding to be done only in small lots, as the sale of the work may require, and the cost to be deducted from your accounts sales.

I accept this on the part of the Library Company of Philadelphia, which I am assured will pay your bill promptly on presentation.

I also agree for the Company to your terms for attending to the sale of the work - viz. One third and one quarter (50 per cent in all) off of the retail price.

As this edition is revised, provision should be made for distribution to the press for review. This need not be large, and I would name 25 copies, in addition to any ~~over~~ copies you may be able to make up from the edition, to be sent to leading journals of your selection, according to a list to be kept by you.

The 475 copies thus remaining for sale will therefore cost the Company \$1.61 apiece in sheets, with 20 cts. for binding - making in all \$1.81. As the Company is to supply the work

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at cost, I would name to you \$3.62 as the nominal retail price,
at which you would account for sales at one half off = \$1.81.

When the book is printed, pray have the edition folded &
deliver 250 copies, gathered & collated to the Ridgway Branch on
Broad St., together with the wood blocks &c., retaining 250 in sheets.

You have the revised copy complete. I send herewith
the blocks of musical notation. The dicumma I understand that
you will supply.

I need scarcely add that the author's copy is to be
scrupulously followed, and special care given in proof-reading to
see that his directions are minutely carried out.

Very Respectfully,

Henry C. Lea

for the Library Co^y of Philad^a

Messrs. J. B. Lippincott & Co.

Philadelphia Nov. 22^d 1878

Henry C. Lea Esq.

Dear Sir,

We are in receipt of your letter of
yesterday, ordering us to proceed with the new edition of Rush
on the voice, in accordance with terms expressed in our cor-
respondence. The work will be put in hands at once and
we shall take special pains to follow out your instructions.

Please accept thanks for the order.

Yours Very truly

J. B. Lippincott & Co.

The Loganian Library having been transferred
to the Ridgway Branch, the Librarian was authorized to announce
that the room heretofore appropriated to that institution will now be
used as a Reading; and that Members of the Company desiring to see
the current numbers of periodicals can procure them at the desk.

The Committee on Fire Proof Building presented the following Report:

To the Directors of the Library Company of Philadelphia.

The undersigned the Committee appointed to consider the subject of a Fire proof Building,

Respectfully Report

That in pursuance of the special reference to them at the last stated meeting of the Board of the question of the adequacy of the Building Fund to the purpose of constructing and fitting up a new fire proof building sufficient to hold such of the Library as it may be desirable to separate from those which will be placed in the building belonging to the Ridgway Branch under the Will of Dr. Rush, they have consulted with two experienced Architects on this point, and have obtained from them estimates which, though rough, are approximate enough to enable the Committee and the Board to form an intelligent judgment in the matter.

The present cash value of the Assets constituting the Building fund is about \$48,377. exclusive of that of the lot at the corner of Locust and Juniper Streets. Assuming the erection of the building to proceed with all reasonable dispatch, it would require a period of time, during which the accumulation of interest may be safely assumed to be about six per cent, which would bring the fund up to \$51,000. But as there may be taxes to be provided for pending the erection of the building, it will be best to assume the available assets at the sum of \$50,000.

One of the gentlemen referred to, estimates the cost of a building of the character shown by the accompanying sketch plan with an additional depth of 15 feet, as suggested by the Committee, which would give in the reading room, with one gallery, space for 18 to 20,000 volumes; and with two galleries about 25 to 30,000, at not less than \$38,000; his estimate for a building of the size originally contemplated, being about \$35,000.

The other estimate for the building shown on the other sketch, which would ^{hold} about the same number of volumes, is \$36,000.

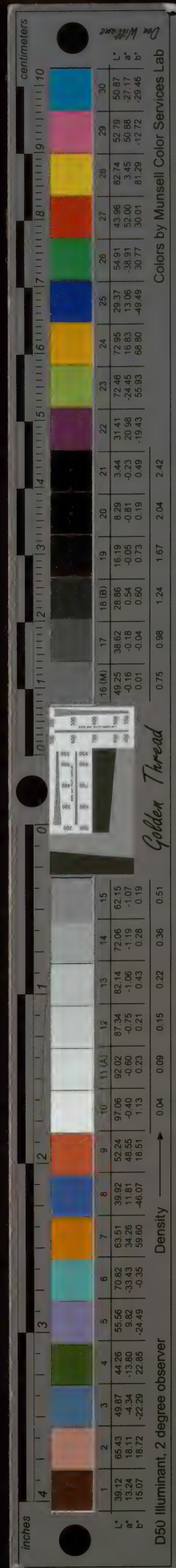
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The fitting up, including shelving and furniture would be about \$10,000. to \$12,000.

The cost, of course, would be increased if a larger number of volumes were required. But the Committee think that given ample for the object contemplated. Their idea has been that if the new building should be devoted solely to current literature, and to duplicates, of which quite a considerable number exist, it would meet all reasonable wishes of the members. The position of the Ridgway Branch of the Library is one as well adapted as any other for students who would devote a large part of the day to their investigations, but it is by no means so for a much larger class of the members, those who read for amusement, or desire to keep themselves in the current of knowledge, or even if pursuing more serious studies, do so from necessity or choice at their homes or places of business. To these is wanting a building which will combine two objects separate yet not inconsistent. One of these is a central point of distribution, where books, as well those within its own walls, as those at the other branch, can be called for, and if desired sent to their homes, and again returned. For this end, the use of the telephone in conjunction with special messengers or small conveyances such as ^{are} now in general use for such purpose, would practically make the two libraries one.

The other object would be the extension of the usefulness of the Philadelphia Library by furnishing a place for general reading to those who have not the time or inclination to go so far as the Ridgway Branch. A room well lighted and warmed, with a sufficient supply of chairs and desks for reading, well supplied not only with books but with periodicals, and with proper accommodations for ladies, would, it is thought, prove greatly attractive to the members, and tend largely to increase the list of subscribers.

Having then these objects in view, the Committee have thought that the number of books mentioned, would be all that need be literally "under the hand." That this calculation does not include an estimate for future increase to an indefinite extent, is true; but this is a consideration which may be disregarded,



from the fact that the Library of the Ridgway Branch furnishes the requisite depositary for those books which from time to time cease to be in steady demand, and which as they are removed will make room for the newer acquisitions. The contemplated building will furnish thus a temporary resting place for the literature of the day. On this plan if a judicious selection and separation of the collections of the Library be made in the first instance, according to the needs of the principal classes of readers, about which no great difficulty need be apprehended, such inconveniences as must arise from a division of our books, which the acceptance of the bequests of Dr. Rush makes necessary, may be regarded as of less importance.

Under these circumstances the Committee are of opinion that there are sufficient means on hand for the purpose in question. Whether hereafter, when the cost of materials and labor shall have arisen to its former standard, the same result will be possible, may be seriously doubted. It would seem therefore, that assuming the time of building to be within the discretion of the Board, in the largest sense of that word, it would be the part of prudence to act at once in the matter: but much more important it is when, as counsel inform us, that the Board is administering, as trustees, a fund created and continued with the object of securing a fire proof building. Indeed in the interests of the Library Company itself, and having regard to what it owes to the public at large, it would seem positively wrong to expose such valuable collections containing much that could never be replaced, to the risk of destruction by fire, any longer than is compelled by the pecuniary condition of the Company. The neglect of so paramount a duty, would, the Committee fear, subject the Board to severe and probably just censure.

The Committee have not felt it within the scope of the present reference to them to determine where the proposed building should be located - whether on the present site or another except incidentally as measuring the probable cost. It would seem that

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to make the present building fire proof, would involve the entire alteration of its structure, except perhaps of the outside walls. The expense of this would be from \$15,000. to \$20,000., which would be practically thrown away, as it is probable, the building must be removed within a few years at any rate; and it would further make the use of the Library impracticable for a year or more while the alteration is going on.

Nor have the Committee ventured to decide upon any special plan, except to indicate to the gentlemen, who favored them with their judgment as to cost, what was believed to be the general opinion of the board, that the building should be of brick, as plain as would be consistent with a decent regard for the character of the institution, and be as far as possible a reproduction in its exterior of the present structure. This the Committee thought would gratify the feelings of the members of the Library Company.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Henry Wharton

John S. Newbold

John S. Biddle.

Mr. Wharton moved that it is now expedient to proceed with the erection of a fire proof building.

Adopted.

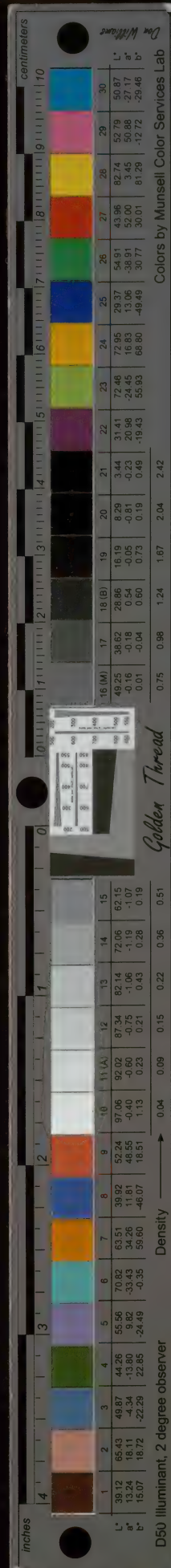
Mr. Lea moved that the site of the building be the lot owned by the Library Company, on the North side of Locust Street, between Juniper and Broad Streets

Adopted.

Mr. Lea moved that the building be erected fronting on Locust Street

Adopted.

Mr. Biddle moved that the new building be



place upon the centre of the Locust Street front, and that the whole of said front be retained by the Company and enclosed in connection with the Library building:-

And that the consideration of this Resolution be postponed until the next stated meeting of the Board.

Adopted.

Mr. Wharton moved that the Agent of the property be directed to notify the tenants of that part of the premises fronting on Locust Street, and extending in depth 140 feet along Juniper Street that possession is desired of the same.

Adopted.

It was moved that the Treasurer be authorized to sell and transfer the following certificates of stock conveyed by the Executor of the late Dr. James Rush to the Library Company viz:-

- ✓ 1. Shares Phil. & Lancaster Turnpike Co.-
- ✓ 12. " Union Mutual Insurance Co.-
- ✓ 9. " Danville and Pottsville R. R.-
- ✓ 52. " Chesapeake & Delaware Canal Co.-
- ✓ 3. " Harrisburg, Portsmouth and Mountjoy R. R.-
- ✓ 21. " Bank of Pennsylvania
- (2) 17. " Delaware City & Salem Steamboat Co.-
- ✓ 33. " Penna. & Ohio Canal Co.-

Adopted

It was moved that the Treasurer be authorized to sell and transfer \$2350. Schuylkill Navigation Co's Loan (Bonds for \$2.000. \$300. and \$50.) belonging to the Building Fund.

Adopted.

The following letter from the Assistant in charge of the Ridgway Branch to the Librarian, was read:-

Philadelphia Dec. 4. 1878

Lloyd P. Smith Esq.
Librarian.

Dear Sir,

The following books have been received
at the Ridgway Branch since my report of last month -

Phil ^a . Library	6229	
Loganian	<u>2357</u>	8586
Previously received		<u>9.507</u>
Total		18.093

I think it will not take more than four months to remove the rest
of the books.

As we receive more books I find the use of the library increases,
would it not be well to have a duplicate ledger and allow the members
of the library to take books from the Ridgway Branch, in the same way
that they now do from the 5th St. library, without regard to what they
may have out from that library, the expense of getting to the Ridgway
Branch by the Cars about equals the hire for extra books, and this method
will simplify accounts, and add very much to the usefulness of the
library.

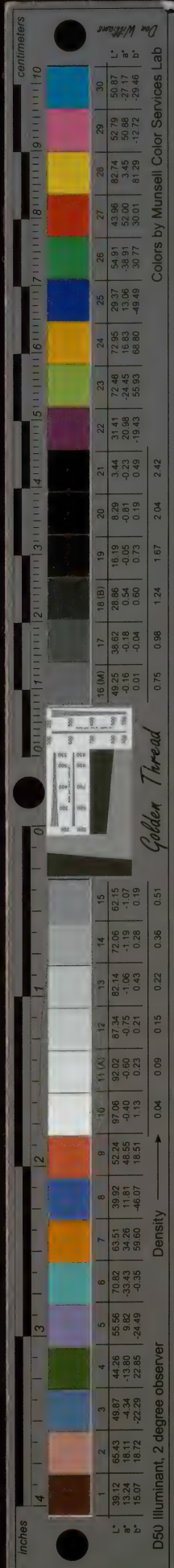
Very Respectfully
Geo. Maurice Abbot
Ass^t. in charge

Three clocks running -

On motion, the suggestions of the
Assistant Librarian were adopted -

The following transfers were approved:

John H. Taylor	to	James L. Taylor
James L. Taylor	"	Charles S. Bradford
Francis Jordan	"	Sabin W. Bolton Jr.
John H. Swaby	"	Samuel Dutton
S. C. Brinckle	"	George Meade



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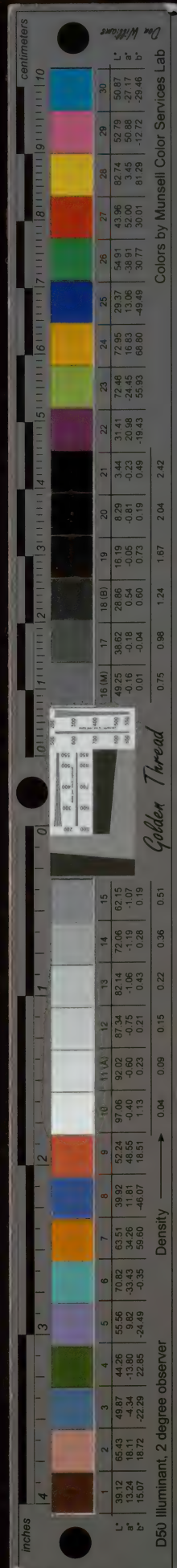
Mary W. Bell to Martha S. Milligan
 Ex^o of N. B. Browne " Emily E. O'Brien
 Ex^o James Rush " Sarah Catharine Rush
 Conveying the share of Dr. Benjamin Rush dec^d

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

For the Library Company.

Temperance Essays	from	R. B. Clark
Test Book of Temperance	"	do
Centennial Temperance Volume	"	do
Strong Consolation	"	do
John Bentley's Mistake	"	do
Plumer, W ^m S. - The Christian	"	do
Strange Sea Story by Julia M. Wright	"	do
Jewett: - Alcohol as a Narcotic	"	do
Kirtor's Ten Pillars of Temperance	"	do
Edmunds - Medical use of Alcohol	"	do
Aunt Sarah's Pledge by Chellis	"	do
Stearns' Temperance Speaker	"	do
Barber's Tales on Temperance	"	do
Kirkman's Philosophy without assumption	"	do
Ritchie - Scripture against Intoxicating Wine	"	do
Hayes - Communion Wine	"	do
Barry - What is Natural Theology?	"	do
Johnson - The Wine of the World	"	do
Bennett - Woman's Work among the Worldy	"	do
Hoagbeares. Our United Resources	"	do
Richardson's Temperance Lesson books	"	do
Wakeley's American Temperance Cyclopaedia	"	do
Richardson on Alcohol	"	do
Pitman - Alcohol and the State	"	do
Temperance Sermons	"	do
Ten Cents by Chellis	"	do

Bulwer - John whom Jesus loved.	from R. G. Clark
Brewer's Family by Mrs. Ellis	" do
Story - Alcohol, its nature and effects	" do
Kirtan - 1000 Temperance Anecdotes	" do
Cruger - Printed Papers	" do
Lees & Burns - Temperance Bible Commentary	" do
Burns - The bases of the Temperance Reform	" do
Consequences, by Mrs. Dunning	" do
Red Bridge by Salmon	" do
Benjamin on Alcoholic liquors	" do
Old Brown Pitcher	" do
Beale - Protoplasm	" do
Lange's Commentary - Isaiah	" do
[Note: Many of the foregoing contain additional tracts and pamphlets bound with them.]	
Report on Railroad Riots	from Hon. Horatio S. Jones
Hanigan's Retrospect of Philanthropic Lodge	" The Lodge
Improvement of Horses in Ireland	"
Thomas' British Directory for 1873	"
Tennessee Agricultural Report for 1876-8. 2 vols	" J. B. Killegrew
Philad ^a . Water Dep ^t . Report for 1874	" W. H. M. Badelen
The Right Hand at Gettysburg	" Wm Brooke Raule
Beddwell's Medical Memoirs	"
U.S. Entomological Com. Report for 1877	"
Catalogue Library U.S. Patent Office	" Weston Flint
African M. S. Hymn Book	" Col. J. P. Nicholson
Catalogue of an Auction sale of Books in Boston	" do
American Antiquarian Vol. 1. Nos 1 & 2	"
Mechanics' Institutes	"
Virginia Fish and Game	"
Boughton - Album leaves	"
Latimer's Idyls of Gettysburg	"
More's St. Paul: a Poem	"
Goodwin's Duty of Literary Men	"



Oakley's Address to Underwriters	from	
Brown's - Guide a l'exposition - Paris	"	
Mexican Society of Civil Engineers	"	
Metallurgia del Fierro	"	
Reichels Friedenthal	"	
Commercial Future	"	
Inspector of Steamboats Report for 1878	"	
Minneapolis Board of Trade Report for 1877	"	
Van Sess. Natural Force	"	
Victoria - Map of	"	
20 Political Pamphlets from Cong. Record	"	J. P. Nicholson.

For Logician Library.

The Right Bank at Gettysburg	from	M ^{rs} Brooke Rawle
S. Lennis Opera Omnia 3 vols.	"	M ^{rs} Herbert Norris
S. Hillari " " 2 vols.	"	do
Philonis Judaei Opera Omnia 5 vols.	"	do
Mendham's Acta Brucilii Tridentini	"	do
Bardwell's Synodalia 2 vols.	"	do
Brucilii Tridentini Epistolae	"	do
Bulli Opera	"	do
Beneditantia Sacrorum Bibliorum Hebraicarum 5 vols.	"	do
S. Brimysii Anaspagitea - Opera Omnia 2 vols.	"	do
Brimysii Petani - Dogmata Theologicae 3 vols.	"	do
Spencer - De legibus Hebraeorum 2 vols.	"	do
Anselmi Opera	"	do
S. Optati Jacundi Albasp. Opera	"	do
Vassius De origine Idolatriae	"	do

Messrs. Wharton & Bidelle were appointed a Committee to prepare Rules of business and of Order; and to define the duties of the several Committees.
On motion, the Secretary was added to the Committee.
Adjourned.

W^m Henry Rawle
Secretary.

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At a meeting of the Directors Jan. 2nd 1879
Present

Messrs. Hare	Bidelle
McCall	Wister
Wharton	Buckley
Gramond	Mitchell
Secretary and Treasurer -	

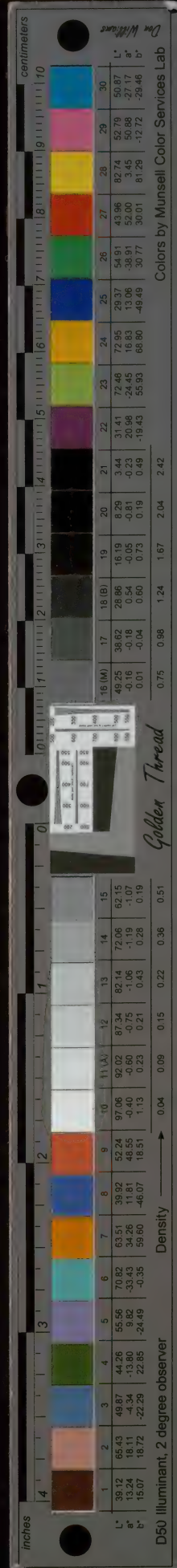
The minutes of the Stated Meeting held Dec. 5. 1878 were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands, viz.

Library Company	\$ 2,074.67
Loganian	996.89
Building Fund	964.-
Ridgway Branch	2,548.59
due London Agent	£ 66. 4. 11
In Paris	fr. 997.20

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer:-

No. 472.	Lewis R. Hamusly	Books	2.50	
	Charles Heradi	"	5.83	
	L. I. Historical Society	"	3.-	
	Prince Society	"	5.50	
	Canadian Monthly	"	3.25	
	Deutscher Pioneer	"	4.-	
	Jno. Pennington & Sons	"	54.20	\$ 78.28
No. 473	Pawson & Nicholson - Binding		\$ 661.97	
	James G. Bannwell - Cataloguing		40.-	
	J. C. M. Manheim - Repairs		4.50	
	George S. Stewart	"	4.-	
	R. W. Popley & Son	"	2.70	713.17
				\$ 791.45



The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer,
payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch:-

No. 24.	Lloyd P. Smith	Salary 1 mo.	\$ 83.33	
	George M. Abbot	" "	150.-	
	J. B. Russell	Cataloguing	40.-	
	Edward Mc. Grath	Janitor	50.-	
	Stephen Paret	Watchman	31.-	\$ 354.33
No. 25.	Geo. Pennington & Son	Books	2.40	
	Parson & Nicholson	Binding	166.29	168.69
No. 26.	Miller & Hayes	Planting &c.	1,269.70	
	H. Stevenson & Son	Lumber	83.26	
	Pa. Paint Manuf'g. Co.	Paint &c.	28.23	
	Steward & Stevens	Furniture	104.50	
	George B. Brown	Gas fitter	161.17	
	James Brist Jr.	Hardware	20.29	
	George B. Howard	Elevator	214.26	
	Addison Button	Architect	490.-	2,371.41
No. 27.	Roberts & Shaw	Mining Books	17.-	
	Knickerbocker Ice Co.	Ice	13.85	
	Orphans Court	Ice	23.50	
	"	"	2.-	
	Register of Wills	"	1.50	57.85
				<u>\$ 2,952.28</u>

The Treasurer reports the following amounts as having been paid out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch, over and above the necessary current expenses of that institution, (including the orders drawn, this date)

Legal Expenses	5,599.15	
Furniture, Cellar floor, grading & plantings	12,929.15	
Books and binding	1,632.19	20,161.49
Less Cash rec'd. from Executor	<u>5,606.24</u>	14,545.24
Paid, & to be paid out of income		5,616.25
Already paid or cash on hand		5,212.56
Still to be saved out of income		401.69

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The Secretary read the following Report from the Assistant in charge of the Ridgway Branch: -

Philadelphia Dec. 31. 1878

Lloyd P. Smith Esq.

Dear Sir,

The following books have been received since my last report (Dec. 4th) -

Phil^l Library 5208

Loganian 994 6,202

Number previously received - Phil^l Library 7880

Loganian 10213 18,093

Total to date 24,295

The following is a record of the use made of the Library for sixteen working days ending Dec. 31st -

Readers	No. of Works Consulted	Members - to take out books	No. of Books taken out
67	180	15	32

The Library has received from Dr. Ridgway a photograph of the "Monument to Sir Thomas Ridgway, 1st Earl of Londonderry" - The picture is in a frame made by Dr. Ridgway, and at his request, has been hung in the Memorial room. The number of visitors is about the same from 15 to 25 a day -

Respectfully Yours

Geo. Maurice Abbot

Ass^t in charge.

The following transfers were approved: -

Ex^{rs} of Jacob James to Albert A. Outerbridge

Francis M^c Murtrie " Ellen M^c Murtrie

The Committee on Finance report that deductions in rent had been granted to the tenants of the Ridgway Branch to the yearly amount of \$11.008; leaving the Rent \$24,426.

Mr. Wharton, from the Committee appointed at the last meeting (December 5. 1878) to prepare rules of business and of order, and to define the duties of the several Committees, Reported progress, And moved, that in addition to the duties imposed by the resolution, it be instructed to report what standing Committees should be established, continued or abolished. Which was agreed to

Mr. Wharton from the Committee on Fire proof building, Reported progress, and moved that a special meeting be held on Monday January 20. 1879, at five (5) o'clock P.M. for the purpose of receiving and considering plans for the same, which are not yet ready. Which was agreed to.

Mr. Biddle called up his motion of December 5th 1878 ("that the new building be placed upon the centre of the Locust Street front, and that the whole of said front be retained by the Company, and enclosed in connection with the Library Building.")

Which was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Biddle moved to reconsider the adoption of so much of the Report of the Committee on Fire proof Building, as recommended that the new building should, to some extent, resemble the present building.

Which was carried -

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

Redögörelsen för världsutställningen i Philadelphia 1876. 2 vols. from Horace J. Smith

Sankhya Karika by Iswara Krishna (O. J. D.)

Kings Systematic Geology

from

Gen. A. A. Humphreys

Marsden's Malayan Family

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Birds of the Colorado Valley

Interior Department

Smithsonian Report for 1877

Smithsonian Institute

Vogel's Doctrine of the Eucharist

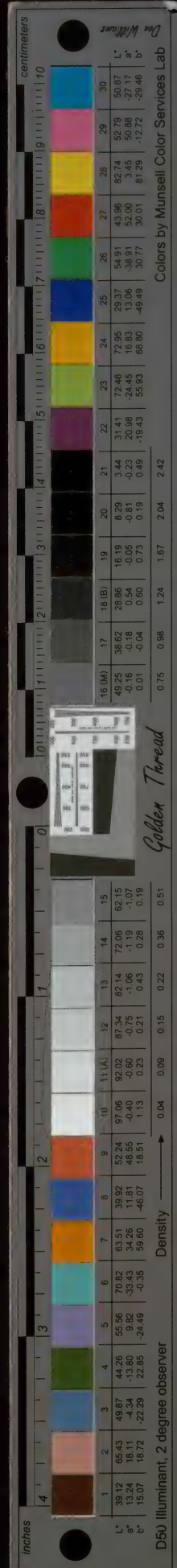
R. Care Clark

Entomological Commission Report for 1877	from	Interior Department
Powell's Ariel Region of the U. S.	"	"
Pennsylvania Archives - General Series - 7 vols.	"	J. B. Linn
Harvard University Catalogue	"	Justin Winsor
Cent. Co. H. 3 ^d Pa. Cavalry	"	A. J. Speese
2 Pamphlets	"	J. P. Nicholson
Reports of Director of the Mint - 1876, 7 & 8	"	H. R. Linderman
53. Pamphlets & Circulars - Reform Club.	"	Henry Philips Jr.
5. " Relating to Egypt	"	E. P. Stone
7. " " Centennial Exposition	"	Honace J. Smith
4 " " Mexico	"	Alfred Chaves
2 "	"	S. Austin Albione
27 " on various subjects	"	various donors

For Logarithmic Library

Sidneys Works from Mary D. Fox

Wm Henry Rawce
Secretary



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At a special meeting of the Directors January 20th 1879

Present

Messrs. Willing
McCull
Wharton
Cramond

Biddle
Lee
Wister
Mitchell.

Secretary and Treasurer.

Plans and estimates for the fire proof Library building
were submitted by:—

Addison Hutton

Bollins & Autenreith

Mark Furniss

James C. Sidney

Theophilus P. Chandler Jr.

After consideration the plans of Messrs Hutton and
Chandler were not accepted; and those of the other architects were
referred back to them for such alterations in the elevation, as they
might deem advisable; and to color the plans, so as to designate more
distinctly the materials to be used in construction.

Wm Henry Runk
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors February 6th 1879.
Present.

Messrs. Willing	Biddle
Hare	Lea
McCull	Newbold
Wharton	Wister
Brumard	Buckley.

Secretary and Treasurer.

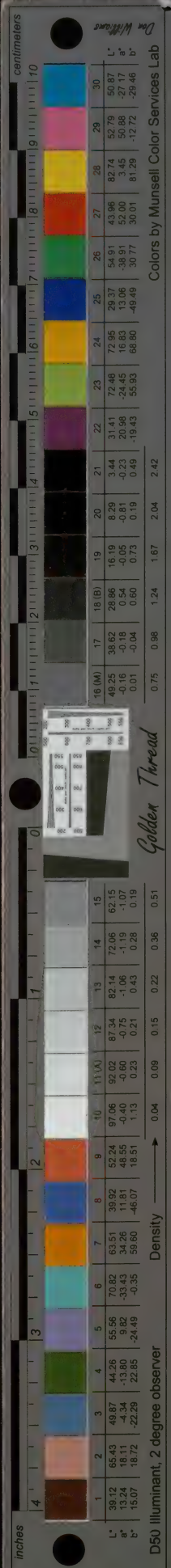
The Minutes of the Meeting held January 2^d 1879, and of the Special Meeting held January 20th 1879, were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands:-

Library Company	\$ 2,004.67
Loganian Library	996.89
Building Fund	3,098.67
Ridgway Branch	1,672.68
In Paris	fr. 997.20
due in London	£ 125. 19. 10

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer:-

No. 474.	Librarian's Salary 3 mo's	450.-	
	Treasurer's " "	50.-	
	B. Owen. Ass't " "	200.	
	J. S. Barnwell. Cataloguing books	120.-	\$ 820.-
No. 475.	C. R. Hildebrand Books	5.	
	Henry C. McCook "	4.	
	Oscar R. Harple "	2.	
	Prince Society "	18.	
	Hammsly Ho "	2.50	
	Porter & Coates "	69.57	
	Am't Forward	101.01	



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No. 475. continued.

	Amt. Due	
J. B. Lippincott & Co	Books	159.15
Schafer & Kovach	"	17.55
Clarton, Kensen & Co.	"	229.18
Halliday Jackson	"	2.50
Benjamin Bauer	"	15.60
		<u>524.99</u>

No. 476.

J. S. Burr & Co - Stationery		40.50
J. R. Collins - Printing		106.79
N. American. Advertising		4.50
Eugene Lindsay Repairs		1.-
Collins West	"	6.-
J. A. Riter & Co	"	1.50
		<u>160.29</u>

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch: -

No. 28. Current Expenses to be accounted for

at the end of the Year	300.-	
Lloyd P. Smith Librarian	83.33	
George M. Abbot Assistant	150.-	
Edward M. Smith Janitor	50.-	
Stephen Paret Watchman	31.-	614.33

No. 29.

Cornelius & Co Gas fixtures	227.04	
W. M. Carter Painting	144.59	
John Woods Bricklaying	40.-	411.63

No. 30.

Pancost & Maule Repairs	11.60	
Getze & Reeves Hardware	18.-	
Mackie & Steele Coal	192.50	
Roberts & Shaw Mowing	3.75	

5.-

13.25

8.75

30.75

Telephone Co. Rent

25.-

J. R. Patten Soap, Candles &c.

29.75

305.80

No. 31.	Mrs Ho	Stationery	\$ 25.85
	J. S. Burr Ho	"	3.75
	J. H. Collins	Printing	12.-
	Blanton, Remsen & Co	Books	6.-
	S. A. George Ho	"	5.-
	J. S. Burr Ho	Stationery	34.50
			<u>\$ 87.10</u>

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer, payable out of the Building Fund:-

No. 1.	Allen Lane & Scott -	Printing	6.50
	Gratuity to 4 Architects for plans not accepted	200.-	206.50
No. 2.	Additional gratuity to Collins & Antenucci		
	and J. P. Chandler Jr. \$25. each		50.-

The Librarian presented the Report of Benjamin Owen Assistant, of the daily attendance at the Library from Jan. 3^d to Feb. 6th - Total number for 30 (business) days 8616 - Average per day 287+

The following Report from the Assistant in charge of the Ridgeway Branch to the Librarian, was read:

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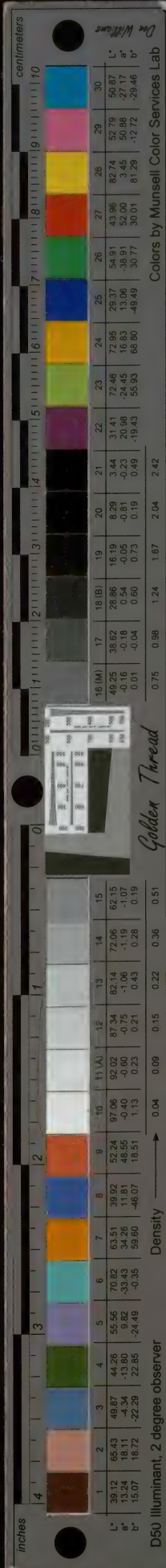
Ernest P. Smith Esq.

Dear Sir,

The following is the report of work done during January, together with a memorandum of the use made of the Library by members and others.

Books rec ^d from Phil ^a Library	12,469	
Previously rec ^d " " "	13,088	
" " " Log ^d " "	11,207	36,764

No. of Persons to read in the Building	No. of Books read at the Library	No. of Books taken out.		
		By Members	Subscribers	Depositors
119	404	26	1	1



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The books mentioned above as having been received have all been classified and shelved.

Very Respectfully

Geo. Maurice Abbot

Ass'n in charge

The Committee on Finance presented the following report from Clifford Lewis Agent:-

Philad^a. Feb. 6th 1874

Dear Sir

I would call the attention of the Committee to the fact, that after paying Water rents and taxes for 1874, there will be not more than \$2500. of income, coming to the Library Co - between the present time and June 30th 1874, at which time, just one year will have elapsed from their coming into possession of the property.

If the above calculation should turn out correct, the net income for the year ending June 30, will be about \$16,500. or, I suppose, after paying legacies, nearly \$1000. per month

Yours very truly

Clifford Lewis

To Jas. S. Bidelle Esq. Ch^l

The following transfers were approved:-

Ex ^{rs} of Cha ^s . Hamall	to	Penn. Co. for Ins. in trust
Joseph Roberts	"	Presley Blakiston
John Welsh Jr.	"	Elizabeth A. Welsh
Julia R. Williams Est.	"	Julia Rush Riddle
Ex ^r . Mansfield H. Moore	"	John B. Uhl

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:-

Steinwehr's Intermediate Geography	from	Van Antwerp & Co
Life of Rev. W ^m . Smith by H. W. Smith	"	The Author
Hildburn's Life of Hopkinson	"	C. Hopkinson

The Committee appointed to prepare rules of business presented the following report:—

THE committee appointed at the stated meeting of December 5th, 1878, to prepare rules of business, and to define the duties of the several committees, and who, at the stated meeting of January 2, 1879, were, in addition to those duties, instructed to report what standing committees should be established, continued, or abolished,

REPORTS AS FOLLOWS:—

The "standing committees," which are appointed at the first meeting of the directors held after the annual meeting of the members in the month of May, are now eight in number, viz.:—

1. A committee of five, on correspondence, and the purchase of English and American books.
2. A committee of two, to arrange terms with those who may have lost or defaced books.
3. A committee of four, on repairs and improvements.
4. A committee of four, to label books, direct the binding, and replace defaced books.
5. A committee of five, to purchase French, Spanish, German, and Italian books.
6. A committee of three, on finance.
7. A committee of three, on fire proof building.
8. A committee of three, on the Ridgway branch.

To define the duties of these several committees, it became necessary to go back to their creation, and it was found that some of what are now "standing committees," were either appointed for temporary purposes, or to meet wants which have since then been more or less changed.

Before the year 1790, there were no standing committees. From time to time, certain of the directors were authorized, as a committee, to write to London as to the purchase of books, the first of these committees being appointed on September 12, 1768 (1 volume of Minutes, 261). Sometimes such committees were spoken of as "the committee on correspondence." So, when an invoice of books would arrive, there would be a temporary committee to number, label and arrange the books, and at times a committee to bind books.

But at the meeting of May 6, 1790 (3 Minutes, 206), three standing committees were appointed:—

A committee of three directors, called "a committee on correspondence;"

A committee of two, called "a committee to purchase American publications," and

A committee of three, called "a committee to label and number books purchased from time to time;"

and from that time, these committees were regularly appointed every year.

On the 12th of June, 1792 (3 Minutes, 311), two of the directors were appointed a committee "for ascertaining the conditions upon which the librarian may settle with such persons as are deprived of the use of their shares in consequence of their having lost or injured books."

From that time, this committee was regularly appointed every year by the name of "the committee to arrange terms with those who may have lost or defaced books."

On the 8th of May, 1794 (4 Minutes, 2), and while the present building on Fifth street was yet incomplete, a committee of four was appointed "to procure and fix a lightning rod—have the roof of the Loganian Library painted, and the yard north of the library enclosed."

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From that time, this committee was regularly appointed every year, by the name of "a committee on repairs and improvements."

Prior to 1800, there had been temporary committees to bind books, and from time to time said committees were also empowered to sell certain defaced books.

On the 8th of May, 1800 (4 Minutes, 118), when three of the directors were appointed as the "labelling committee," it was added "who are also to direct the binding of books, and the sale of such as are worn out, defaced, or useless to the institution;" and from that time this committee was regularly appointed as "the committee to label books, direct the binding of them, and replace defaced books."

On the 6th of May, 1802 (4 Minutes, 147), three directors were appointed "a committee of correspondence, and for purchasing American and other publications here," thus blending together two of the former standing committees.

On the 20th of May, 1832 (6 Minutes, 20), among a series of resolutions were two: "that a committee be appointed with power to procure such English and American works as they shall think proper, which are not now upon the shelves," and also "that a committee be appointed to compare the catalogues of this and the Loganian Library, and to report to the board such works in French, Spanish and Italian literature, as in their opinion it will be proper to procure."

The standing committee to purchase new English and American books was charged with the execution of the first of these resolutions, and a committee of three was appointed on the second resolution.

These committees were thereafter annually continued under the names of "the committee on the first resolution," and "the committee on the second resolution," until

May 5th, 1836 (6 Minutes, 97), when three directors (the same as before) were appointed "a committee on French, Italian and Spanish books," and this has been since regularly continued.

After a resolution had been passed providing for the repayment of a temporary loan made by two of the directors:—

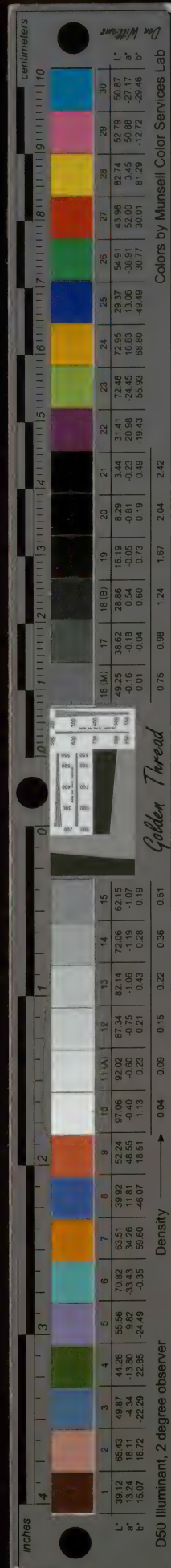
On the 4th of August, 1836 (6 Minutes, 105), a committee of finance, composed of three directors, was appointed, with authority to borrow, on the credit of the company, such sums of money as might be necessary, and upon such terms as they might find expedient, and give an instrument securing the repayment of the same with interest under the seal of the company.

From that time, this committee was regularly appointed every year by the name of "the committee on finance."

On the 24th April, 1869 (7 Minutes, 311), three directors were appointed a committee to make inquiry in regard to the purchase of a lot for the erection of a fire-proof building, and since then this committee has been regularly appointed under the name of "committee on fire-proof building."

And lastly, on the 2d of May, 1878 (8 Minutes, 118), three directors were appointed a "committee on the Ridgway Branch."

From this history, it appears that there are two standing committees on the purchase of books, one for English and American, and the other for Continental books; a separate committee to arrange terms with those who may have lost or defaced books, and another to label books, direct the binding, and replace defaced books; a committee on repairs and improvements, whose original duties were merely to fix a lightning rod, paint a roof, and enclose a yard; and a committee on finance, whose original duties were merely to borrow certain necessary money, and give an instrument as security therefor.



It appears to this committee that this machinery can be made more simple and more effective by a readjustment of the duties of these committees, and they propose that for the future there be the following standing committees:—

1. A committee of three, on finance, *to serve during the year*, to be appointed by the board, whose duties shall be the general care of the money matters and investments of the libraries, exclusive of those of the Ridgway branch.

2. A book committee of five, to be appointed by the board, whose duty shall be the general superintendence of the books of the libraries, and to whom the librarian shall, at least once a week, submit a list of the books purchased or intended to be purchased.

3. An executive committee of the whole board for the transaction of the collective business of the three libraries, to consist of two members, of whom one shall be changed each month by the presiding officer. The duty of this committee shall be the general supervision of the conduct and affairs of the institutions not delegated to any of the other committees.

4. A committee of three, on the Ridgway branch, to be appointed by the board, of which the monthly executive committee shall *ex officio* be members. Its duty shall be the special supervision of the Ridgway branch, and the trusts connected therewith.

A committee on fire-proof building, though very necessary at the present time, is recommended as a temporary, and not as a standing committee.

This arrangement will:—

1. Reduce the present eight standing committees to four, viz.:—

1. A committee on finance,
2. A book committee,
3. An executive committee, and
4. A committee on the Ridgway branch, with a temporary committee on fire-proof building.

2. The four committees now existing, viz.:—

On correspondence, and the purchase of English and American books,

To arrange terms with those who may have lost or defaced books,

To label books, direct the binding, and replace defaced books, and

To purchase French, Spanish, German, and Italian books, can, we think, have their duties better performed by a single book committee; and the duties of the committee on repairs and improvements can, among other obvious duties, be properly discharged by the executive committee.

3. On this executive committee, each member of the board will, in every year, serve once, and will thus acquire a detailed knowledge of the management of the libraries; at the same time his term will always begin with a colleague who has already served for one month.

With respect to the rules of order and of business, the committee recommend the following:—

I. At all meetings of the directors, the oldest member by standing shall preside.

II. The order of business shall be:—

1. The call of the roll.
2. The reading of the minutes.
3. Reports of librarian, treasurer, and other officers.
4. Reports of committees in the following order:—
 - a. The executive committee.
 - b. The committee on finance.
 - c. The book committee.
 - d. The committee on Ridgway branch.
 - e. Special committees.
5. General business.

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III. All motions shall be in writing, and all action shall be by *viva voce* vote, or by ballot if requested by any director.

And, finally, the committee recommends that the members of the company shall, at their stated annual meeting, appoint a committee of not less than three persons, not members of the board, to audit the accounts of the three libraries, and certify as to their accuracy.

It remains to notice the Loganian Library, its committees, and order of business.

This library is thus held: James Logan, who owned the building in Sixth Street near Walnut, which contained his private library, by deed dated March 8, 1745, conveyed it and some ground rents to William Logan and others, in trust for the use of the public. This deed, by virtue of a power which he therein reserved to that effect, he cancelled, and afterwards died, without having executed another which he had prepared. His will, however, dated March 25, 1749, recognized the intention of the trust, and his children, William and James Logan, and Hannah Smith, carried into effect this intention, by deed of 25th of March, 1760, by which the building, books, etc., were conveyed to Israel Pemberton and others, in trust for the purposes of a public library, and it was therein provided that certain of the descendants of James Logan should always be among the trustees.

By an act of the legislature of March 31, 1792, the property was vested in the Library Company of Philadelphia, in trust for the support and increase of the Loganian Library; and it was provided that the directors of the company, together with James Logan (the then surviving trustee, at whose request the act was framed) and two such other trustees as he should appoint, should be the trustees of the Loganian Library. There was also a provision that the books of the Library should always be kept apart, and another for the appointment, as future trustees, of certain heirs male of the founder.

The result is that the legal title to the property is in the Library Company of Philadelphia, "in trust for the support and increase of the Loganian library," and that the directors of the Library Company, an heir male of James Logan, and two other persons appointed by him, are the trustees of the Loganian Library.

The books, the accounts, and the minutes of the Loganian Library are kept apart. The meetings of the trustees are quarterly, in February, May, August and November.

At the November meeting of the trustees, and at the December meeting of the directors, a committee is annually appointed to examine the accounts between the two Libraries; and at the February meeting of the trustees, a committee is annually appointed to examine the accounts of the treasurer. These committees report at the next meeting of the trustees, and cannot, therefore, be, in one sense, considered as standing committees.

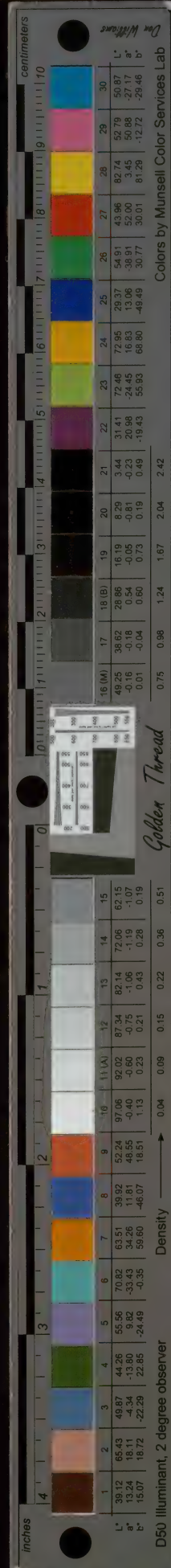
This committee sees no reason to recommend any change as to this.

It is believed that the foregoing embraces all the duties imposed upon the committee.

HENRY WHARTON,
JAMES S. BIDDLE,
WM. HENRY RAWLE,

Committee.

On motion, the consideration of the Report was postponed till next meeting, and meanwhile copies of it ^{were ordered} to be printed for the use of the Directors.



A Note was presented, from Horace Moses, requesting permission to store his library and furniture in the basement of the Ridgway Branch, while abroad, for which he would be glad to furnish a certain number of books for the Library, free of cost to it. Which was declined from want of authority.

The Librarian reported that Mr. Williams had given verbal authority to the Library Company to have book plates printed from the engraving of the Rush family Arms, and requested that it may be inserted in all the books bequeathed by Dr. Rush.

The Librarian requested permission to have the second gallery in the Ridgway Branch, shelved.

x The consideration of which was postponed until the next meeting.

The Committee on "Fire Proof Building", presented plans and estimates for said building, with the alterations suggested at the meeting of Jan. 25th, by Collins & Antemith, Frank Furniss and J. P. Chandler Jr.

After consideration, upon the question of the adoption of a plan, the vote, by ballot, was as follows:

Plan of Frank Furniss — Eight (8) votes

" " Collins & Antemith one (1) vote

" " J. P. Chandler Jr. one (1) vote

The plan of Mr. Furniss having been approved by a majority of the Board, was therefore adopted.

On Motion the sum of \$50. (\$25. each) was added to the quantities to be paid to Collins & Antemith, and J. P. Chandler Jr.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on fire proof

Building be authorized and directed to proceed with the erection of the building, according to the plans of the Architect selected, with such alterations, as shall seem to them to be necessary -

Wm Henry Rowe
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors March 6th 1879.

Present

Messrs. McCall
Wharton
Lea

Newbold
Wister
Buckley

Secretary and Treasurer.

There being no quorum present, on motion, adjourned to meet on Tuesday March 11th 1879.

Wm Henry Rowe
Secretary



At an adjourned Meeting of the Directors
March 11th 1879.

Present

Messrs. Willing
Lewis
McCall
Wharton
Cramond

Biddle
Lea
Newbold
Wister

Secretary and Treasurer.

The Minutes of the Meeting held February 6th 1879
were read and approved.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in
his hands, as of March 6th 1879:—

Library Company	-----	\$594.40
Loganian Library	-----	237.16
Building Fund	-----	3465.12
Ridgway Branch	-----	1253.82
Owing to Agent in London	-----	£ 139. 19/6 stg
Balance on hand in Paris	-----	fr. 997.20

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer,
payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch:—

No. 32. Lloyd P. Smith Librarian, 1 mo.	\$3.33
George M. Abbot, Assistant, ..	150.
Edwin McPhail, Janitor, ..	50.
Stephen Paret, Watchman, ..	28
	<u>\$311.33</u>
No. 33, Wm E. Harper, Repairs to clocks	\$25.
Roberts & Shaw, Moving, ..	1.25
do	<u>4.25</u>
	<u>\$30.50</u>
No. 34. J. B. Lippincott, Edition of Rush on the Voice	766.40

The Report of the Librarian of the progress at the Ridgway Branch was read.

The Report of Attendance &c was as follows, for 23 working days in February: -

Books received	8989	
" " previously	36764	45753
Number of visitors	491	
" readers	101	592
Number of books consulted	360	
" " taken out	65	425

Also a Communication from George M. Abbot as to time detector, clock and watchman

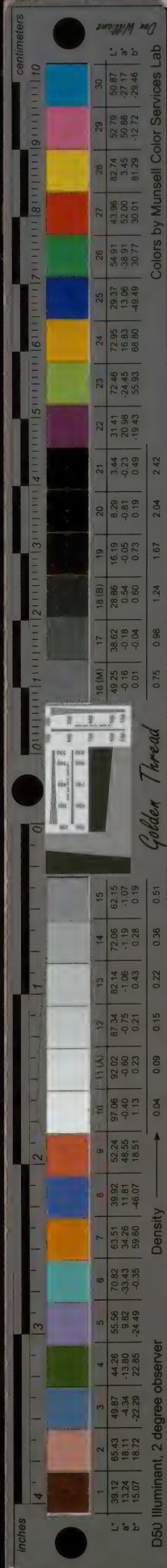
The Report and Communication were referred to the Committee on the Ridgway Branch

A Communication from Edward B. Kaighn Agent, 100 North Seventh Street, as to Portable Apparatus for extinguishing fires, Price \$20 was read, and referred to the Committee on the Ridgway Branch.

A Communication from the American District Telegraph Company, offering to make burglar Alarm Attachments at the Ridgway Library for \$197, and a monthly rental of \$3 per mo., was read. On Motion, it was laid on the table

The following Resolutions were on motion adopted.

1st Resolved, That the proper officers of this Corporation (The Library Company of Phila. delphia) are hereby authorized to execute and deliver to Emma Audenried wife of John T.



Authorized of the City of Philadelphia, Gentleman, an Assignment or assignments, transferring and setting over to her Two certain Mortgages of Three thousand Dollars each, given by Frederick A. Vandyke jun^r to this Company, each bearing date the Third day of July A.D. 1846, and respectively recorded in Mortgage book Acorn. No. 6 pages 241 and 243 &c, one thereof secured on premises on the East side of Second street 46 feet 2 inches South of Pine street, and the other thereof secured on premises also on the East side of said Second street 63 feet 2 inches South of said Pine street in the said City, as in said Mortgages recorded in the Recorder of Deeds Office for said City fully described, or to enter satisfaction thereof of record.

2^d Resolved; That the proper Officers of this Company be and they are hereby authorized to affix the seal of the Corporation and execute and deliver an Assignment of a certain Mortgage dated 13th November 1846 executed by Louis Schweitzer and given to secure the payment of \$13,000 upon premises Fifteenth street above Jusquehanna Avenue transferring the said Mortgage to the purchaser thereof, or to enter satisfaction thereof of record.

A Communication from Clifford Lewis was read in relation to the Policies of Insurance on books in the Philad^a Library \$10,000 expiring May 15th and in the Loganian Library \$10,000 expiring June 4th Referred to Mr David Lewis as Committee with power to act.

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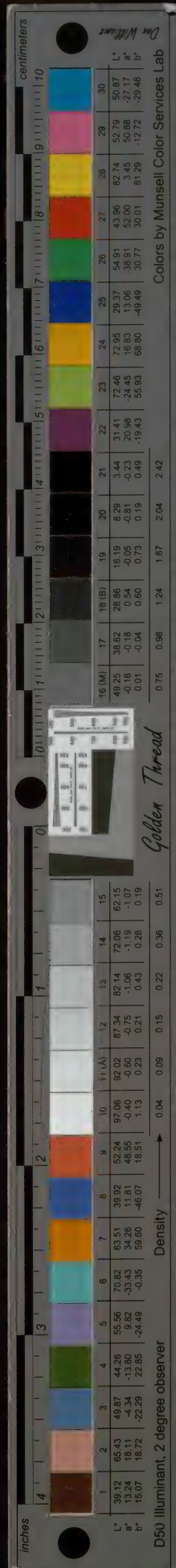
A communication from Clifford Lewis enclosing an Application from Eggleston and other tenants of Nos. 148, 150 & 152 North Eighth st. for a reduction of rent was read. On motion it was referred to the Finance Committee to make a reduction - the rent when reduced to be not less than \$1200.

The following transfer was approved: -

Jacob Peetru to Anna Hallowell.

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the Donors: -

L'Univers	24 vols.	from	John J. Newbold Esq
Antiquarian Itinerary	for	"	Richd Cadbury "
Further Account of New Jersey	"	"	Brinton Cox "
Probate Confiscation	"	"	E. M. Davis "
Catalogue of Newburyport Public Lib.	from	The Directors	
Denck. würdige Sprüche	from	Art Cassel Esq	
Hodge. Essays & Reviews	"	"	R B Clark "
" Church Polity	"	"	" "
Duyckinck's Cyclopedia of Literature	"	"	" "
Cowan's Poems	from	The Author	
Thorns and Flowers	"	"	" "
Randolph - Sober Thoughts	"	"	" "
" Windfalls	"	"	" "
" Three Home Talks	"	"	" "
" Stages of Faith	"	"	" "
London Art Journal	for 1849	from	Col J. P. Nicholson
Songs for the Times	"	"	" "
Ohio. Auditor of State, Report	from	The Auditor	
U.S. Finance Report for 1848	"	Sec of Treasury	
" Land Office Report, 1848	"	The Commissioner	



U.S. Report of Sec of Navy 1878 from the Secretary
 " " " Director of Mint, 1878 " " Director

For Ridgway Branch -

Digest of Opinions of Judge Adv. Gen. E. from the Sec of War
 Address of Dr Geo. B. Wood at Penn Hosp. " Ch. Chauncey Esq
 15th Ann Report of Penn Board of Charities " The Board
 Elementa Philosophica " Ch Chauncey Esq
 Nicholas Mooney's Life " " " "
 Adams Chart of History " R B Clark "
 Journal of select Council vol. 2. 1878 " Councils
 " " Common " " " "
 Ordinances for 1878 " "
 2^d Geological Survey of Penn C. v. " The Commissioners

For Loganian Library

2^d Geological Survey of Penn C. v. from the Commissioners
 A Floating City of the Atlantic. Riding " " Author
 Memorabilia Classis LXX Haverfordiae " " Class.
 1st An Report of... Labor & Industries of N. S. " Bureau
 History of Gen. 3^d Penn Cavalry " Wm Brooke Rawls Esq
 25 Pamphlets " various Donors
 Map of the U.S. 1878 " Land Office

The Librarian made a Report of the daily attendance at the Library in Fifth street from February 7th to March 7th, showing that the number of visitors varied from 206 to 534 - the average being 327.

The Report of the Committee of Organization (see pp 196-199) was read. On motion the vote was taken separately on each of the four re-

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commendations, as to the standing committees, reported.

1. The first Resolution was amended by the insertion of the words "to serve during the year" after the words "A committee of three on finance," so that the said Resolution shall read as follows:—

"A committee of three, on finance, to serve
"during the year, to be appointed by the board,
"whose duties shall be the general care of the
"money matters and investments of the libraries,
"exclusive of those of the Ridgway branch."

2. The second Resolution was amended by the insertion of the words "and care" after the word "superintendence", so that the said Resolution shall read as follows:—

"A book committee of five to be appointed
"by the board, whose duty shall be the general
"superintendence and care of the books of
"the libraries, and to whom the librarian
"shall, at least once a week, submit a list of
"the books purchased or intended to be purchased"

3. The third Resolution was adopted without amendment as follows:—

"An executive committee of the whole board
"for the transaction of the collective business
"of the three libraries, to consist of two members,
"of whom one shall be changed each month
"by the presiding officer. The duty of this
"Committee shall be the general super-
"vision of the conduct and affairs of the
"institutions not delegated to any of the
"other Committees"

4. The fourth Resolution was amended

so as to read as follows: -

"A committee on the Ridgway branch,
"to consist of three members to be appointed
"by the board, and also of the members of
"the monthly executive committee for
"the time being. Its duty shall be the
"special supervision of the Ridgway
"branch, and the trusts connected therewith.

The Report of the Committee as to
rules of order and of business was adopted
without amendment as follows: -

I. At all meetings of the directors, the
oldest member by standing shall preside.

II. The Order of Business shall be: -

1. The call of the Roll.

2. The reading of the Minutes.

3. Reports of Librarian, Treasurer, and
other officers.

4. Reports of Committees in the following
order: -

a. The Executive Committee,

b. The Committee on Finance,

c. The Book Committee

d. The Committee on Ridgway branch.

e. Special Committees.

5. General business.

III. All motions shall be in writing, and
all action shall be by viva voce vote, or by
ballot if requested by any Director.

And the recommendation of the
Committee "that the members of the Company
"shall, at their stated annual Meeting, ap-
"point a Committee of not less than three per-

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"sons, not members of the board, to audit the
"accounts of the three libraries, and certify
"as to their accuracy." was adopted without
amendment.

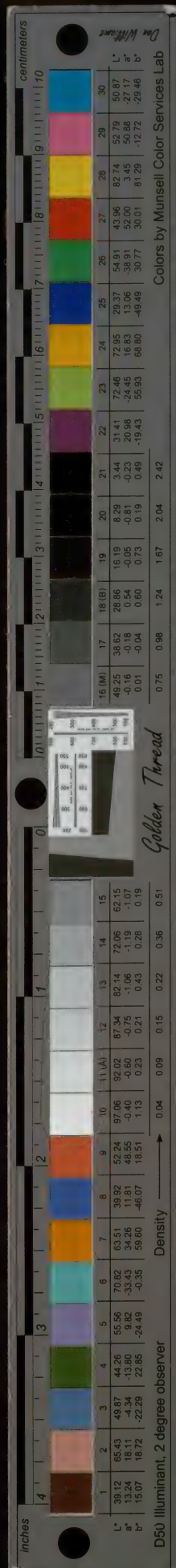
On motion it was resolved that the pro-
posed change should take effect after the
Annual election in May 1879.

On Motion it was resolved that copies
of the new edition just issued of "Rush
on the Voice be presented to Messrs
Henry J. Williams, and Alexander Riddle.

On motion it was resolved, that the
Committee on the Ridgway Branch be di-
rected to consider and report upon the
terms on which the Logaman Library can
and ought to be allowed to use the book-
cases and shelves in the Ridgway Library
building, and whether in the arrangement
of the books in the latter there is the best
economy of spaces, having regard to the
actual resources of the trust estate under
Dr Rush's will.

On motion adjourned.

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary



At a meeting of the Directors
April 3rd 1879

Present

Meas. Mcleall	Newbold
Wharton	Wister
Ridale	Buckley &
Lea	Mitchell
	Secretary and Treasurer

The minutes of the meeting held March 11. 1879 were read and approved

The treasurer reported the following balances in his hands.

Library Company	\$ 874.34
Loganian Library	224.84
Building Fund	9.585.12
Ridgway Branch	419.59
In Paris	pos 997.20
Due in London	\$ 168.19.10

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch

No 35. Lucia Smith Treas. & Lib. m.	\$ 83.33
George M. Abbott, assistant	150.00
Edward M. Spack, Janitor	50.00
Stephen Carter, Watchman	31.00
	<u>3121.33</u>
No 36. James Burt, jr. Hardware	19.50
Melvin Lacey, book repairs	25.00
Roberts & Shaw, moving	1.50
"	6.00
"	12.50
J. W. Christen, book	1.70
Phil. Hunt & Co. check, book	<u>2.00</u>
	60.20

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The Librarian made the following report

I respectfully report that under the authority given me last summer to employ a cataloguer temporarily at \$20- per week I engaged first a Mr. Smith, whose work was not entirely satisfactory, and afterwards Mr. J. L. Barnwell. With the trained and intelligent assistance of the latter, the stock catalogue of the Library Co, the card catalogue with its cross references and the duplicate card catalogue for the use of the members, have now all been brought down to date. The work of moving and rearranging books at the Ridgway Branch is now nearly over for the present, and I have accordingly found myself able to dispense with Mr. Barnwell's services. The labor of cataloguing, I may be permitted here to remark, occupies at the Mercantile Library of this city the whole time of four persons, while the Harvard College employs in the same work, seven, and the Boston Public Library sixteen to eighteen persons. At this Library, this business, which involves the copying of each title with more or less fulness on an average seven times, has always been done, in the intervals of other work by the Librarian and his assistants; and, if possible, it will so continue. Some 400 vols. of pamphlets still remain uncatalogued at the Ridgway Branch, together with the entire private library of Dr. Rush, which contains many costly illustrated works on architecture and antiquities. Of the latter, however, Mr. Abbot has already made a rough list, which was published in the Librarian. The total number of books removed to the Ridgway Branch is 49,240, of which 13,910 are Loganian. The no of visitors to the Ridgway Branch in March

was 1024: the no. of books read or consulted at the Library 710: and the no taken out 103.

Total number of visitors at the 5th Street Library in March 7040, being an average of 293 a day.

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Boys at Eastwick	from	R. Case Clark
Schaff through Bible Lands	"	"
Thomberg on Roman Law	"	Mary D. Fox
Vertols Roman Republic	"	"
Vaughan's Sermons	"	R. Case Clark
Clark's Harmonic School	"	"
Washington Astronomical Obs ^{ns}		the Superintendent
Proceedings Mass. Hist. Socy	"	the Society
Costuzee's practical Theology	"	R. C. Clark
Rose Dunbars Mistake	"	"
Hook's Monday lectures 2 vols.	"	"
Palmer's true success in life	"	"
Palmer on religious opinions	"	"
Story of the Bible	"	"
Schaff's Christ in song	"	"
Newton. The wicket gate	"	"
Harvey on paper money	"	the author
Report of City Trusts 1878	"	Henry W Phillips
" State Penitentiary	"	Richard Haux
Quackenbos on ancient Literature	"	R. C. Clark
Dear old stones	"	"
Bp Stevens Sermons	"	"
Weir on home worship	"	"
Robinsons Spiritual songs	"	"
Agriculture of Pennsylvania	"	George Blight
Journal Society of Arts vol. 26	"	the Society
Gallery of Portraits 7 vol	"	R. C. Clark

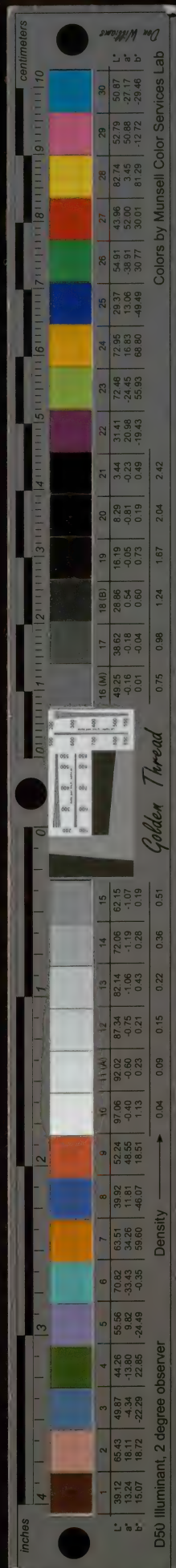
Schaff on New Test	from	R. C. Clark
Hints from the Monograph	"	"
Heroes of Bohemia	"	"
Jean Lindsay	"	"
Jaynes Medical Almanacs	"	"
Auroy - Du rôle l'alcool	"	"
Greek Testament	"	Mary D. Fox
French	"	"
Bacon - The reign of God	"	R. C. Clark
Old portmanteau	"	"
Historical foundation of Christianity	"	"
The king in his beauty	"	"
Scotch and Irish seed in America	"	"
Carpenter on temperance	"	"
Pusey on Daniel	"	"
Simmonds Products of the Sea	"	"
Wrights cotton circular	"	J. L. Smith
Life in Japan	"	R. C. Clark
Smalls Legislative hand book	"	H. G. Jones
Genston's Autobiography	"	The Author
Johnson on thorough base	"	R. C. Clark
Congressional Docs 53 vols	"	Dept of Interior
Penna State Docs 11	"	Legislature
Galignani's Messenger	"	The Balch's Est.

Mr. Biddle ^{read} received the following Report from the Committee on Finance

April 3rd 1879

The Finance Committee presents herewith the Report of the Treasurer showing the balance in hand.

In view of the approach of the close of the first year in which the Board have administered



the trust under the will of Dr. Rush, the committee has naturally been led to an examination of the general subject of income and expenditure of the three different departments into which the library is divided. The receipts of the Library Company proper for the

Year (rec ^d & Estimated) are, say,	\$10.600.
of the Loganian	2.500.
of the Ridgway Branch, estimated	
net income for coming year,	<u>12.000</u>
Total	25.100

This may perhaps be reduced about \$1000 by the Contingency Fund require by the will of Dr. Rush, leaving us about \$24,100 per annum.

In looking over the expenditure list of our accounts the Committee find that the aggregate of Salaries paid amounts to \$7494.00 exclusive of Mr. Bramwell's pay which seems to have been temporary. The Committee feel that they ought to call the attention of the Board to the large ratio (32.1 per cent) which salaries bear to the total of Income, and to suggest whether it may not be advisable to rearrange the whole Schedule of Salaries with a view to greater economy.

The large outstanding bill for binding the books of the Loganian Library ought, we think, to receive the attention of the Board ^{as} Loganian Trustees.

Jas S. Biddle,
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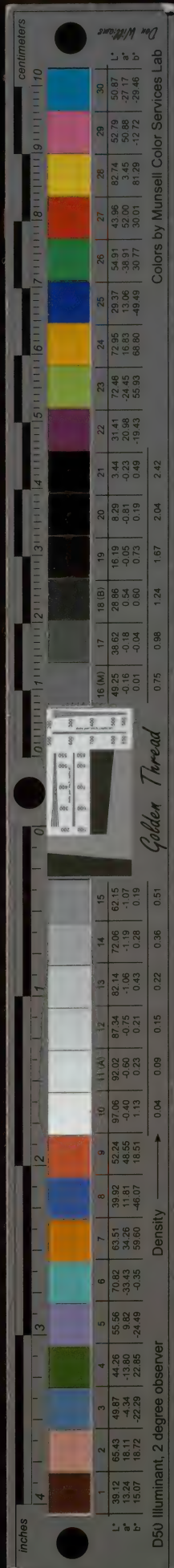
Mr Biddle for the same Committee submitted the following report from the Treasurer
To the Finance Committee

I respectfully report that the cash Balance of the Library Co is \$874.67 which will be increased to about \$1,200 at the close of the financial year May 1. We have paid during the past year \$844.15 for the Library Co's share of the legal expenses in the Tax case, which will not occur again. Also about \$600 ^{to} Mr. Bamwell as temporary Cataloguer, with whose services I have now dispensed.

The cash balance of the Loganian Liby is \$224.84, which will be increased to \$1,400 at the end of the financial year. This will be absorbed by the outstanding bill for binding, and there will still be a balance due Pawson & Nicholson of over \$3000, which is by agreement, to stand until it is convenient for the Loganian Liby to pay. A deduction will be made for books bound contrary to orders.

The principal of the Loganian endowment apart from the Buck's bequests has increased from about \$3200- in 1794, the proceeds of the sale of the original building at Sixth & Walnut, to \$16,000 in 1853. and \$25,000- now

The cash balance of the Building Fund is \$9,585.12, drawing one per cent at the Pa Co. for Ins. on lives. The remainder of the Building fund consists of \$20,500- U. S Bonds, registered, and two Mortgages, one of \$5,000- and one of \$3,000, both called in. The former will be paid in the course of a few months, and the latter as soon as it can be disposed



of Mr. Wheeler feels confident he can arrange it.

The cash balance of the Ridgway Branch is \$419.59, which will be increased to about \$2500 at the end of the financial year.

By the terms of Dr. Ruoh's will, it is the duty of the Library Co. "after paying all necessary taxes, charges and expenses incident to the said property to set aside annually ten per cent of the clear net income to form a contingent fund". For the present year this 10% has ^{been absorbed in fitting up the building} necessarily, and grounds - a duty, under the will of the executor - but all bills are now paid, and there should be no difficulty in future in establishing and maintaining the Contingent Fund.

I have received from Clifford Lewis, Agent on account of the collections for 9 mos 15.150.

less current expenses for 11 mos.

Books + Binding

Annuities

Leaving a surplus of

Which has been expended thus:

Shelving

Rush on the Voice

Balance after Orders of April 3rd

The water rents for 1879 of the Ruoh estate are all paid, and \$1400 on ac of the Taxes for the current year. The income of April and May will pay the annuities falling due in May (28th) and the current expenses, and Mr. Lewis thinks that by 31st July the Taxes will all be paid. The cost of moving the books, which is nearly accomplished, will not exceed \$125.

There is a balance due our London Agent of £168.19.10, which is about what is usual at

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this season. A remittance is made in May after
the yearly payments have come in.

There was a balance of nearly 1,000 francs in
the hands of Mr. Robert Coleman at the time
of his decease, I have presented our claim to
Mr. Brock, Attorney for the executor & it will be
settled either in Books or money.

Lloyd P. Smith
Treasurer

April 1. 1879

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch read
the following report

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch
under the direction to consider and report upon
the terms on which ^{the} Loganian Library can and
ought to be allowed to use the Book cases and
shelves in the Rush Library building

Report

That in their opinion the Loganian Library can
and ought to be allowed to use the Book cases
and shelves in the Rush Library Building paying
an annual rent therefor to the Ridgway Branch,
and that in their judgment the sum of Six
hundred ^{dollars} would be a reasonable compensation for
the use of the book cases and shelves in the
Rush Library Building.

The committee under the direction to report whether in the arrangement of books in the Rush Library Building there is the best economy of space having regard to the actual resources of the trust estate under Dr. Rush's will.

Report

That in their opinion the books do not occupy more space than is necessary.

They further report

That they authorize the employment of Parit as night watchman at \$1²⁵/₁₀₀ per night and authorize Mr. Abbot to purchase one of Buick's Watchman Time Detector for \$75. and belt for \$2⁵⁰/₁₀₀ additional, also to purchase two fire extinguishes champion No 1.

They consider it inexpedient at present to employ an extra day hand in addition to the janitor Mr. Grath.

On motion so much of the report as relates to the Ridgway Branch was postponed till the next meeting and the rest of the report was adopted.

A Communication from Messrs Miller & Hayes, 5774 Germantown Avenue with respect to the putting in order the grounds attached to the Ridgway Branch was referred to the committee on the Ridgway Branch with power to act.

The following Report was read from the Committee on Fire Proof Building
To the Directors of the Library Company. 219.

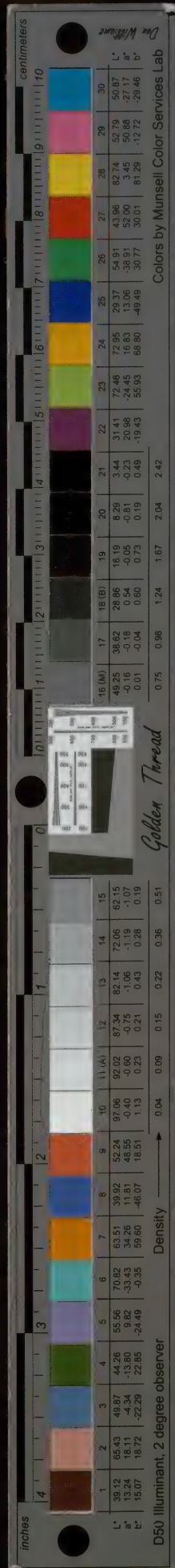
The Committee on Fire proof building
 Respectfully Report

That the work on the new Library building has been commenced on the plans furnished by Mr. Furness, the Architect, and approved by the Board, and on separate contracts entered into in accordance therewith for the different parts of the work.

The Committee having first examined the contract and specifications prepared for this purpose by the Architect and having with his assistance selected persons believed to be competent and trustworthy who should be invited to bid on the specifications, received proposals from several, whose names and bids appear in the Schedule hereto annexed. The Committee selected in each case the lowest bidder, as follows.

<u>Excavation. Masonry + brickwork,</u>	<u>Samuel Hart.</u>	<u>\$7,500</u>
<u>Carpenter work and Lumber.</u>	<u>J. H. Erickson.</u>	<u>3963</u>
<u>but stone work.</u>	<u>Atkinson & Lyle.</u>	<u>4,928</u>
<u>Plastering.</u>	<u>Armstrong & Blair.</u>	<u>430</u>
<u>Roofing and Sheet Iron work.</u>	<u>Starr & Leadley.</u>	<u>2,357</u>
<u>Painting and Glazing</u>	<u>Carlisle & Joy</u>	<u>1,685</u>
<u>Plumbing and Gas fitting</u>	<u>R. H. Watson.</u>	<u>797</u>
<u>Iron Work</u>	<u>J. B. Cornell</u>	<u>10,720</u>
<u>Heating</u>	<u>Samson & Maul.</u>	<u>1,700</u>
<u>Hardware</u>		<u>500</u>
<u>Tile Work</u>		<u>150</u>
		<u>\$34,730.</u>

The aggregate work thus falls within the sum originally calculated for the purpose. It does not however, include the removal of the buildings, ^{the usual Architect's commission, the external work} as the sodding of the grounds, the



grounds, the Wall and railing around the lot, the shelving and the furniture.

All these were understood to be separate from the estimate for the erection of the building itself. They are estimated by Mr. Furness as follows:

<u>Brick Wall</u> eight feet high on West and North of lot including coping and cast Rail 2 feet high (iron)	\$1300.00
<u>Iron Rail</u> five feet high on South and East of lot	450.00
<u>Paving</u> (Flag) and curb for entire lot	2000.00
<u>Gardening</u>	1500.00
<u>Book Cases</u>	2300.00
<u>Furniture</u>	1500.00
	9050.00
<u>D. W. Nichol</u> Tearing down & cleaning bricks	550.00
<u>Watchman</u> (about)	28.00
<u>Superintendent</u> 9 mos	900.00
	\$ 10,528.00

The above are stated to be outside estimates.

Commission of Architect 1,736.00

12,264.00

Add cost of erecting building 34,730.00

\$ 46,994.00

This will leave a surplus from between three & four thousand dollars in the building fund.

The Committee recommend the passage of the subjoined Resolutions.

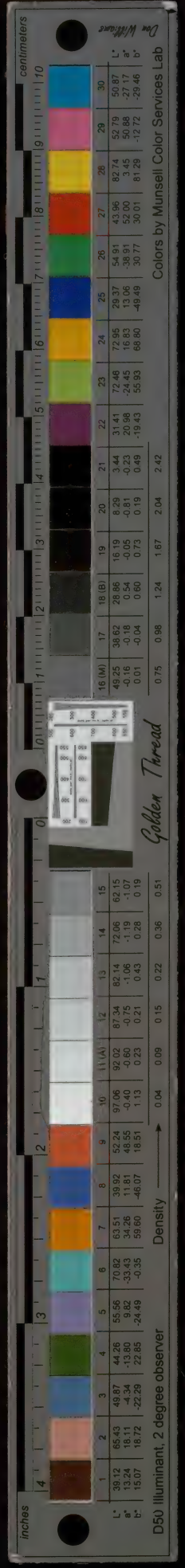
All of which is respectfully submitted.

Henry Wharton
 Jas S. Biddle
 John S. Newbold

Schedule to the foregoing Report.

List of Proposals for work and Materials for the new Building for The Library Co of Philadelphia

	Proposals:		Lowest	
Excavation Masonry & Brick Work				
Geo. Greeley	8.500	00		
<u>Saml. Hart</u>	7.500	00	7.500	00
Carpenter Work & Lumber				
G. W. Ensinger	5.600	00		
B. Ketchum	4.498	00		
O. Bradin	4.400	00		
J. Meyers	4.069	00		
<u>J. H. Erickson</u>	3.963	00	3.963	00
Cut Stone Work				
Mrs. Gray	7.541	00		
Mrs. Armstrong	5.768	00		
<u>Atkinson & Mylert</u>	4.928	00	4.928	00
Plastering				
Supplies & Pennypacker	583	00		
J. W. F. Allen	528	00		
A. Boyd	525	00		
<u>Armstrong & Blair</u>	430	00	430	00
Roofing and Sheet Iron work				
Jno Kelly	2.470	00		
<u>Haw & Leadley</u>	2.357	00	2.357	00
Painting and Glazing				
John Gibbons	2.690	00		
J. W. Carter	1.785	00		
<u>Carlile and Fox</u>	1.685	00	1.685	00.



	Proposals	Lowest
Plumbing & Gas Fitting		
W. Rhodes	840 00	
W. P. Ogelsby	821 00	
<u>R. H. Watson</u>	<u>797 00</u>	<u>797 00</u>
Iron Work		
Cast & Wrought.	Proposals	Lowest
M. Malsinger	3800.00	
<u>Steward & Glenn</u>	<u>3779.00</u>	<u>3779 00</u>
<u>Jones & Benner</u>		<u>7150 00</u>
Steward & Glenn, Jones & Benner, for all	10929 00	
<u>J. B. & J. M. Cornell, for all</u>	<u>10720 00</u>	<u>10720 00</u>
Shading		
<u>Pancoast & Maul</u>	<u>1700 00</u>	<u>1700 00</u>
Hardware		500 00
<u>Tile Work</u>		<u>150 00</u>
		<u>34,730 00</u>

Resolutions

Resolved that the Secretary be directed to affix the corporate seal to such contracts for the erection of the new Library Building, as shall have been entered into on behalf of the Library Company by the Committee on Fire proof building be designated by that Committee.

Resolved that the Treasurer be directed to pay to Mr. Frank Furness, the Architect employed in the erection of the New Library

building, the sum of \$ 868 ²⁵/₁₀₀ out of the building fund. being the amount of the first instalment of commissions on the building, as by his bill and statement rendered.

Resolved. that the payments on the work on the new Library building be made to the contractors, by the Treasurer, on orders on him drawn by the Chairman for the time being of the building committee, upon the certificate of the Architect that the work for which each payment is to be made, has been done in accordance with the contract.

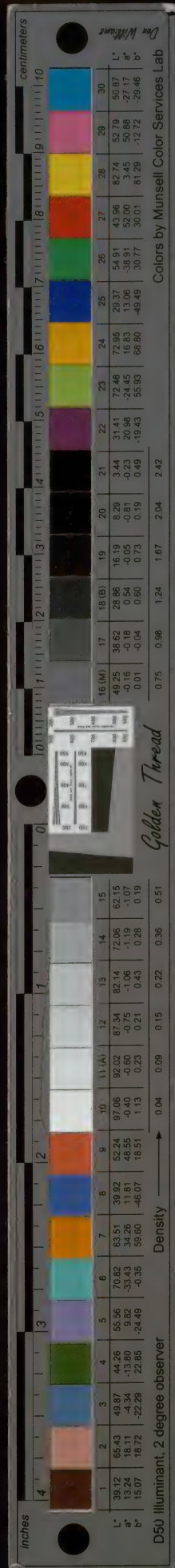
On motion the Report was adopted and the resolutions carried

Mr. Lewis, to whom as a special committee, the subject of the Insurances for the coming year was referred, ^{made} ~~read~~ the following report.

The subject of Fire Insurance having been referred to me at the last meeting of the Board I beg leave to report.

That finding an amount of \$80,000 insured on the Books at 5th & Library Streets and that the return premium would be very trifling on the proportion of books removed to Broad & Christian Streets, I have had \$35,000 of the amount transferred to the Ridgway Building.

In order to know the estimate of risk by Insurers on the Ridgway Building. I had an examination made of it by Captⁿ Stillman of The Fire Ins. Patrol



whose office causes him to be present at 200 or 300 during the year. He pronounces the Basement to be entirely Fire Proof and that there is very little to feed a flame in the Centre and South Wing but that in the North Wing the floors of the galleries and the shelving contain some 30,000 feet of lumber and therefore it cannot be called fireproof. Mr. Shotton the Architect is of opinion that notwithstanding the combustible nature of the gallery floors, (which he says was put therefrom economy) it is nearly impossible that any fire could reach them except intentionally as none is used in the building except in the basement for heating, and that any money paid for insurance would be thrown away. As Mr. St. is thoroughly acquainted with the building, and as his opinion is corroborated by others of experience, and as there is no risk from the outside, it seems to me that danger from accident is exceedingly small approaching nearly to nothing, and that it is not expedient to continue any insurance on the Books at Broad & Christian Streets after the present policies expire on the 15th May. On this subject, however, I should wish the Board to express a definite and positive opinion.

I would further recommend that the insurances for \$45,000 on the books at 5th and Library Streets should be reduced to \$30,000 an adequate proportion on the books remaining.

The Library building 5th & Library Sts. is insured permanently for \$15,000, and the Law Building for \$5,000, neither of which appear to require any alteration.

To The Board of Directors
of The Library Co of Philad^a

Respt^s Submitted

David Lewis

March 31. 1879

On motion it was resolved that the insurance
on the Ridgway Branch be dispensed with, and
that the other suggestions in the report be adopted.

The following transfers was approved

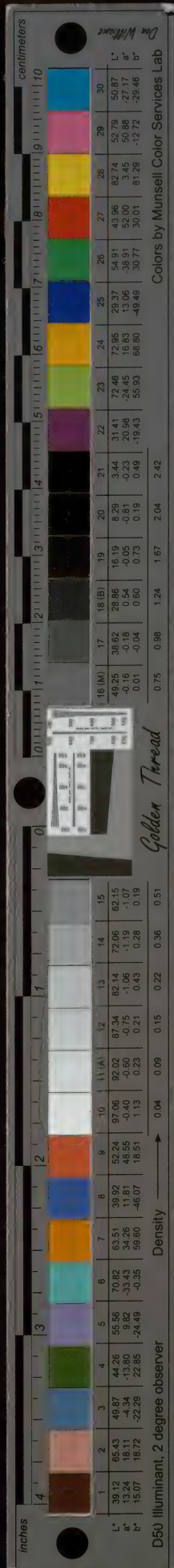
William Duane	to	Margaretta S. Meade.
Alfred Lewis	"	George LeB Keim.
Ex ^t J. Bradford Dwight	"	Henry E. Dwight.
Ex ^t C. Sophia Borie	"	Susan P. Borie.
Ex ^t Fred ^r Brown	"	Charlotte A. Brown.

Messrs Wharton and Biddle were appointed
a Committee to examine the accounts of the
Librarian and Treasurer

Messrs J. H. Logan, Gramond and Wister were
appointed a Committee of Loganian Trustees
to examine the accounts of the Treasurer.

On motion, adjourned

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary



At a Meeting of the Directors May 5th 1879
Present

Mess Willino
McCall
Wharton
Cramond

Biddle
Awbold
Mister
Buckley

Treasurer

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and after being amended by changing the word "made" to the word "read", they were approved.

The Librarian made the following Report:

The entire Loganian Library has now been moved and arranged on the shelves at the Ridgway Branch, together with all the books described in the printed Catalogue of the Library except

1. Fiction
2. Duplicates
3. About 5000 vols of the more recent octavos which, it is proposed, with the approbation of the Board, to retain until the Fall in 5th Street, where they will be more useful than in Broad St.

In the mean time, duplicates of the books described in the said Catalogue will be moved to the Ridgway Branch.

The total number of books already moved to Broad St is 60,652 of which 13,838 are Loganian.

As Dr. Rush prescribes that the Ridgway Branch shall be kept open from 9 o'clock until at or near sunset, the

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doors are not closed until 6 o'clock, an hour later than the 5th Bldg.

The total number of visitors at the Ridgway Branch for the four weeks ending Apr 26 was 748, of whom 113 readers consulted 523 books. The number of books taken out is 83.

My accounts as Librarian for the past year have been made up and audited, showing an outlay at the Ridgway Branch for current expenditures of \$1281.79, the principal items of which are as follows:

Cleaning 425.18

Bunford Samuel 3 - a week 138.00

Stephen Paet naps for day work 168.00

Carpenter for work on

Elevator &c 132.00

The current expenses for the financial year ending Apr 30 at the 5th Bldg amount to 1180.39. The principal items are:

Coal and wood 167.50

Janitor 12 mo - 318.00

Two boys @ 3 - a week each 296.00

I have recd from the Executor of Robert Coleman the accompanying Bill of Books, which appears to be correct, although the amount - \$472 francs - is nearly 50% greater than the sum in the hands of his Estate. The Executor, I understand, will attend to forwarding the books to Philadelphia.

The total number of visitors to the 5th Bldg for the four weeks ending May 1 is 7680 being an average of 334 a day. The no. of members is 5660, non-members

1396 and newspapers 624.

The Treasurer made the following
Report:

The financial Year of the Library Co-
ended yesterday, and the accounts have been
made up and examined, showing a Balance
in my hands belonging to the Library Co- of
1,202.69; to the Logansian Library of
\$1,123.56; to the Building Fund of 8716.87
and to the Ridgway Branch of 1,445.06

It has been customary for the Logansian
Trustees to appoint a Committee at the
Quarterly Meeting in November to adjust the
accounts between the Logansian Library &
the Library Co. Last November, no Committee
was appointed, owing to my neglect at
the proper time to call the Secretary's
attention to it. The oversight would
probably not have occurred, if I had not
understood that in the Ridgway Branch
there would be no rent to pay and
consequently no accounts to adjust. Now,
however, the Report of the Committee at the
last meeting fixing the Rent of the
Logansian Library for the future at \$600.-
payable to the Ridgway Branch, makes it
proper that the rent for the last year should
also be determined. This might be done,
according to precedent, by appointing this
evening a Committee of the Directors and
next Thursday a Committee of the Trustees.
The Committee on behalf of the Library Co.
last year were Messrs. Biddle & Knobold.

I have received from Mr Clifford Lewis, Agent

The following Statement:

Estimated Rents to be received to the end of
his financial Year June 188 4,000.00
Balance of Taxes of 1879 3,500.00
" " Repairs 800.00
" " current Exp's 300.00 4,600.00

Deficient after paying everything 600.00

To this, must be added the amount
of the Orders to be drawn May 8, being
the last month of our financial Year
viz: Annuities due May 28 2,810.00
Salaries & wages one month 320.00

Water Rent R. B. 137.00

One Extraordinary 50.00

Tell-tale clock 77.50

14 tons coal @ 5.00 70.00

Moving Books 15.50 350.00 3,570.00
4,110.00

Dep lease in Treasurer's hands 14,455.06

Exp of expenditure the first Year 2,664.94

With the facts of the past year before
him M Lewis makes the following calculations
for the coming year, which are not so
favorable as his verbal estimate formerly
made, on which my own calculations
were based.

M Lewis Estimates for the next financial year:

Rents April 1879 to April 7, 1880 22,438.00

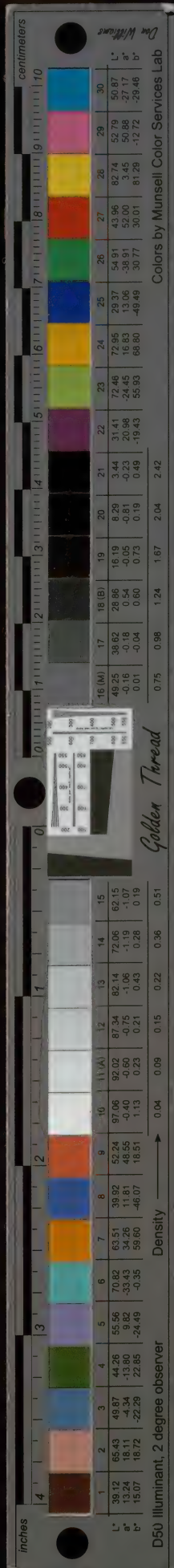
Dep Taxes 5,000.00

Repairs 2,000.00

Contingent 1,300.00

Water Rent 315.00 8,615.00

Amount carried over 13,823.00



Amount Brought Over		13,823.~
From this must be deducted:		
Annuities one year	5,688.~	
Salaries & Expenses		
(Same as last year)	6,314.88	11,994.88
		1,828.12
Add Logansian Rent		600.~
		\$ 2,428.12

On motion Messrs Biddle & Newbold were appointed a committee on behalf of the Library Co. to adjust the accounts between this Institution and the Logansian Library.

The committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the Treasurer's and Logansian's accounts reported that they had performed that duty and found the same correct. In addition to the several balances mentioned in the Treasurer's Report already read, there is a Balance in the hands of the Logansian belonging to Ridgway Branch of \$94.76, and a Balance due the Logansian by the Library Co. of \$88.82.

The committee on a Fire Proof Building made the following Report. On motion the following Report was adopted by the Board and ordered to be read by the Secretary at the annual meeting of the Socy on Monday next, and that 500 copies thereof be printed for the use of the Members.

An application was received from Mr. Richard Vaux for the restoration of his father's share No 529 forfeited in May 1846 in consideration of his relinquishing his own share No 178; whereupon it was on motion

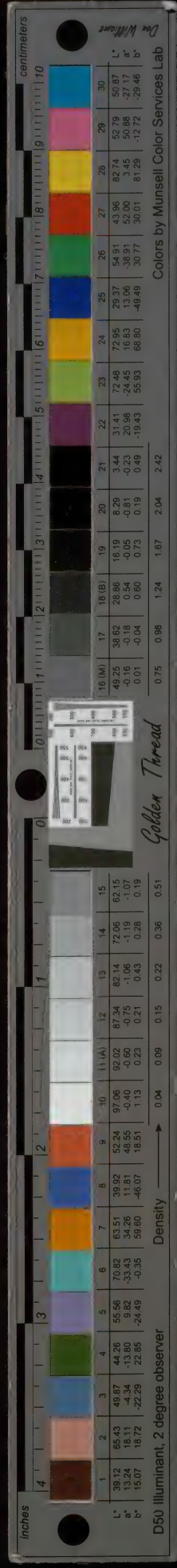
Resolved, That the share purchased by Richard Vaux from the Estate of Thomas Dunlap be issued as No 529 and that the share No 178 be cancelled.

It being the duty of the Board under the By-Laws "to appoint some discreet member to preside" at the Annual Meeting, on motion, Mr George W. Biddle was chosen with Mr Charles Platt as Alternate

The following Transfers were approved
 Ex Ann W. Dunlap to Richard Vaux
 " James Shields " Mary Shields
 Thomas C. Clarke " Emily Birds Thomas
 Dr Ann J. Reeves " Carroll S. Tyson
 Tho Stewardson Jr " Emily Birds

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

The Friend 11 vols from Hannah W. Smith
 Park Continent 2 " R. C. Clark
 Look on Maui " "
 Dates of Church members " "
 Catalogue of Library " H. W. Smith
 Club Directory " Harper Sister
 Revue Comique " Col. J. W. Anderson
 Letter of Lincoln " "
 Smithsonian vol 13 " The Institution
 Souvenirs St Lucia " "
 R. O. Tyler's memoir " George F. Tyler
 Wash. Astronomical " Lect of Navy
 Stores & Ranges forays " Quartermaster Genl
 Haitian base showing " "
 40 miscellaneous pamphts " "
 Roll of Honor " "



On Motion It was
 Resolved, That in case the Principal and
 interest due on the Mortgage of Eliza S.
 Purckney be not paid on the 1st day of June
 next that the mortgage be placed in the
 hands of counsel for collection

Leopold Smith
 Secretary pro tem.

May, 1879

By Henry Wharton

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE LIBRARY COMPANY OF
 PHILADELPHIA:—

At this annual meeting,—the last which will be held within these venerable walls, honored not more for their associations than their use,—it is becoming that the directors of the company should state what are its present condition and prospects, and explain the circumstances and motives which have led to a change in the plan of its management. And as this has caused not merely a removal of the Library from its old site, but the taking up of new duties and responsibilities by the company itself, the directors may be excused if this explanation is given at some length.

The matter began in this way. In the year 1856 a number of the members who felt not only the risk to which the invaluable collections of the Library were exposed in the present structure, but saw that their further increase would be almost impossible within its limits, opened a subscription for the erection of a new building, which should be fire-proof, and of a capacity to meet the wants of the future as well as the present. This subscription, after reaching a considerable sum, did not thereafter advance as rapidly as was hoped, but in the year 1868, the fund was unexpectedly increased by the liberal bequests of Joseph Fisher, which were made without any other condition than that implied in the gift itself, that it should be employed in the erection of the proposed building. When some litigation, which arose in regard to the validity of the will, had ended in favor of the company, the time for action seemed to have come. Accordingly, at the annual meeting held on May 3d, 1869, a resolution of the members was unanimously adopted, by which, after reciting that "the present accommodations of the Library are entirely insufficient for the preservation of the present number of books, without reference to any prospective increase, and the building fund has become very considerable in amount," it was enacted that the directors should have full power and authority, when they should think proper, to purchase a lot in the city of Philadelphia on the best terms they could procure.

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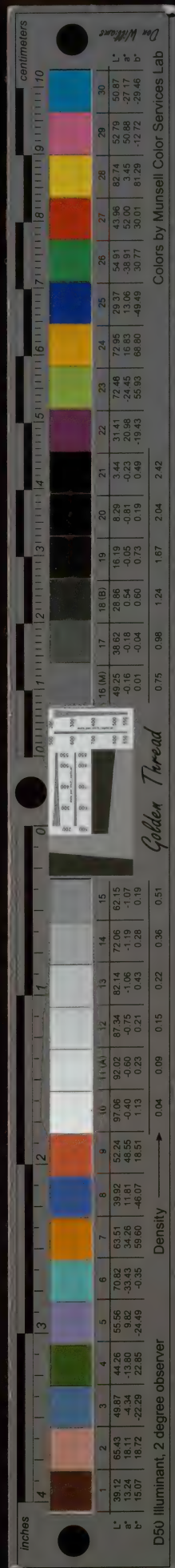
A committee was appointed by the directors to carry into effect this resolution, and they had made some progress in their inquiries, when, within a month after the resolution had been adopted, the death of Dr. Rush occurred. His will, the clauses and objects of which have been the subject of much discussion, need not be referred to here, as they are familiar to the members. It is sufficient to say that they were of such a nature that the directors hesitated to recommend the acceptance of his bequest until the building proposed was, as the testator had provided in terms, completed and tendered to the company; for until then the obligations, pecuniary and otherwise, which such acceptance would involve, and which were very uncertain in themselves, could not be determined. The matter, however, was left to the vote of the members, who, by a very small majority, agreed to accept in advance.

This, though showing, so far as it went, the wishes of the members, was not conclusive, because, though there was a majority of the votes actually cast, it was in fact much less than a majority of the whole number of the members, counting in those who were absent or who abstained from voting. The objects proposed, however, required an alteration of the charter, to be ratified at a special meeting afterwards called for the purpose, and at this the real majority might turn out to be the other way. In order to bring this to the test, the directors forthwith applied to and obtained from the legislature authority to amend the charter of the company, so far as might be necessary to enable them to act as trustees under Dr. Rush's will, with the proviso "that the real and personal estate of the company, including such books, pictures, statues, and other works of literature and art as now are or shall hereafter be held by them in their own right, or on any other or different trusts, shall be in no wise affected thereby, but shall remain and be under their own entire and exclusive control and disposition."

This qualification was necessary, for if, as some feared, and the fear has so far been justified, the income of so much of the residuary estate of Dr. Rush as might remain after the erection of the proposed building would at times be insufficient for its current expenses, the slender means of the Library Company ought not to be taken to make good the deficiency; and as respects property held on other or different trusts, such as that of the Loganian Library, it would be obviously improper to permit it to be merged in one common liability. Nor, as the event has shown, was this in conflict with the intentions of Dr. Rush; nor did it deprive the company of any benefit which they could have otherwise secured under his will.

The act itself was adopted unanimously by the members at a general meeting, and the subsequent conveyance of the Ridgway Library building, and of the remaining part of Dr. Rush's estate, was in effect subject to its provisions.

The act also solves a difficulty which weighed with many at first, the inconvenience of the location chosen for the Ridgway Branch Library. The controversy to which this gave rise may well be buried in the past. Whether the ultimate decision was right or wrong, it left the Library Company free to keep up an establishment of their own in a better place. There was certainly great reason to apprehend that the remote situation of



the new building would induce many members to forfeit their shares, and thus cause a serious loss to the income of the company. This danger, however, is now fortunately removed, and it may be that the future growth of the city will justify Dr. Rush's foresight.

Before the irrevocable step of accepting a conveyance of the new building had to be taken, however, a new and serious difficulty arose. For many years the Library Company had been exempted from taxation under a private act of Assembly; but by the new constitution of 1874 all such special legislation was abolished, and the legislature was restricted to the passage of general laws exempting property from taxation in certain defined classes of cases, under which it was feared that the company might not fall. A general law on the subject was in fact passed in 1874, within whose provisions the library would probably be included, but it could not, of course, overstep the constitutional limits.

A serious question thus arose, whether the directors could any longer act on the vote of the members to accept the bequest. As a matter of fact, it had become certain that the cost of the erection of the building at Broad and Christian streets would be so great that if it were assessed with the lot for taxation at that rate, the taxes with the annuities would greatly exceed the annual income. Nor would the revenues of the company, diminished as they would be by the charge of its own taxation, have sufficed to make up the deficiency. Such a result would plainly compel the abandonment of the trust as a mere matter of self-preservation.

The Supreme Court of the State, however, in a proceeding instituted by the collector of taxes, wisely regarding the real interests of the community, held that the Library Company, in its liberal organization and its utility to our citizens, was within the spirit of the constitution and thus capable of exemption. It must not, however, be overlooked that this is a privilege and not a right; and its continuance can only be expected from our justifying by our actions our right to be called a public institution.

Pending the protracted litigation over the will of Dr. Rush, and while its result was uncertain, the directors thought that it would be unwise to lose sight of the position in which the company would be placed should it prove in the end that they would have to retract their acceptance of the provisions of the will. And even if this were not the case, it was for the benefit of the public and the members that they should retain, in a more convenient and accessible part of the city, a working portion of their collections, as the act of Assembly permitted them to do.

For these reasons the committee on the fire-proof building appointed before Dr. Rush's death, was continued, with the object of acquiring under the resolution of May 3, 1869, a suitable lot. To determine the situation of the proposed purchase, was of the first importance, and to this much consideration was given. The conclusion arrived at was that the neighborhood of Broad and Walnut streets was even then the most convenient point for the majority of the members, and was likely to become more so in time. This conclusion was

confirmed subsequently by a list made of the members and their residences, the practical result of which was exhibited in the form of a chart, which was used in 1872 in the litigation then in progress. Every succeeding year has increased the westward tendency thus exhibited.

At the present time, so far as can be ascertained,
of the members, there reside east of Tenth street, 119
West of Tenth street..... 692

At Germantown..... 811
North Pennsylvania Railroad..... 94
Reading Railroad..... 10
Non-residents, &c..... 4
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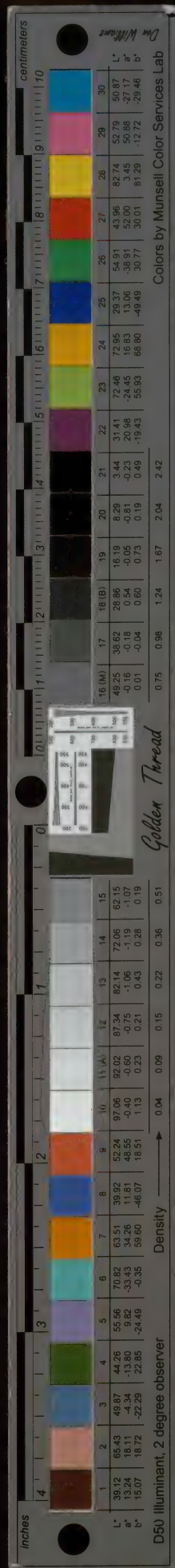
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It appears then that of the eight hundred and eleven city residents, eighty-six per cent., or nearly seven-eighths, live west of Tenth street, which has been taken as being about half way between the old and new sites. To those residing in Germantown the distance is practically the same.

Assuming this neighborhood to be the most desirable for the purpose, the committee made careful inquiry on the subject, both before and after the death of Dr. Rush, and indeed as late as last autumn, but were not able to find any lots which were not either too small in dimensions, too dangerous in site, or too costly for our means; at least none which combined more advantages than that at the north-west corner of Juniper and Locust streets, which had been at first selected. Even as a temporary investment, it was not open to objection—for the buildings on it returned a fair rental, and since the commencement of the public buildings on Penn square, the value of property in that part of the town was likely to rise. Another advantage was, that, while very near the principal thoroughfares of the city, it was not exposed to the dust and noise which are inseparable from them.

The size of the lot, which is one hundred and ten feet in front on Locust street, by about two hundred and fifty feet in depth on Juniper street, was a further inducement. Should the company be forced to give up the building at Broad and Christian streets, the lot in question would be ample for its present collections and their extension for an indefinite period of years.

The expediency of the removal to a new site was, as has been said, endorsed by an unanimous vote of the shareholders in 1869. During each succeeding year, the risks to which the Library has been exposed have caused growing anxiety to the directors. Fire might at any moment destroy a priceless collection of books accumulated during a century and a half. And the present location has become more and more unsuitable to the class of readers to which the members belong, especially to ladies. But before the settlement of the questions in regard to the acceptance of Dr. Rush's bequest, and the obligations it imposed, it was impos-



sible to act. Until then, the size and character of the building could not be determined, nor was it certain that, after such acceptance, a separate library building could be erected, consistently with the provisions of the will. And if not, what could be done with the building fund?

When these questions, therefore, were settled last summer in a manner which left liberty of action to the board, they felt that they must assume at once the responsibility of that action, which had been too long delayed. Fortunately the very delay, the risk being now almost past, had been of service in this, that the cost of erecting the building, by reason of the great fall in prices, would be perhaps one-half below what it might have been ten years ago. Still it would not have been wise to trust to this condition of things lasting for any long period. With the revival of business, a fresh rise in prices was to be expected.

The directors, therefore, proceeded forthwith to get plans and estimates from competent architects, and after due consideration selected those of Mr. Frank Furness, and then obtained tenders from contractors for the different portions of the work. This is now begun, and it is expected will be completed, and the building ready for occupancy, before the end of the year.

The elevation or outside plan of the building is now exhibited in the present Library. It is to be of brick with Hummelstown brown-stone trimmings; and will be entirely fire-proof. The cost of the structure itself will be about \$34,750. The shelving, fitting up, and outside work will make an aggregate of \$46,000 for the whole work; a sum less than the present cash assets of the building fund, leaving \$3000 to \$4000 for contingencies. None but the most responsible as well as competent contractors have been selected, and as the contracts specify distinctly the work to be done under each, and its cost, there is every reason to believe that the estimates will not be exceeded.

The front part of the building, seventy-six feet front by thirty-two feet depth, is to be occupied by the offices of the company, and by rooms for ladies; the rear will be composed of a single reading-room fifty-nine feet four inches square, which will be on the floor entirely unobstructed, leaving ample space for readers. Around this will be shelves for books, without any alcoves. Above will be a gallery surrounding the room, on which there are to be alcoves as well as shelves. This contemplates a capacity of about twenty-five thousand volumes; but this can be increased at a small cost, if desired, by additional galleries for which arrangements have been made, to fifty thousand volumes. At present, it is not likely these will be needed. The reading-room will be lighted from above, and also by side windows so placed as not to break the line of shelving.

To the mode of occupation of the new Library, due attention has been given by the directors. Good faith to the founder of the Ridgway branch obliges them to place there the larger and more substantial part of their collections, and accordingly a very large number of their own books, as well as the whole of the Loganian Library, has already been transferred there. The system which is to govern permanently in the division of the collections, has not yet been definitely determined.

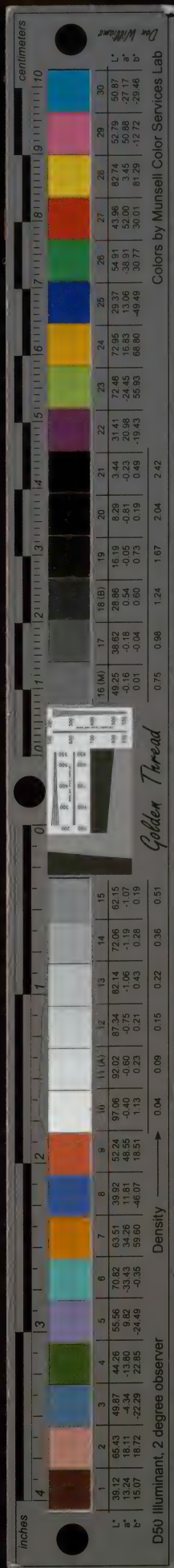
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To simplify the matter, in the first instance, it was thought advisable to send down to the building at Broad and Christian streets, that part of our own collection which was covered by the printed catalogue, except novels and duplicates. By this the delay of more careful selection was avoided, and the most valuable part of the collection was removed from the risks to which it was exposed. It is not, however, proposed to treat this as a final disposition of the question. It seems probable that a more convenient and intelligent division would be in the line somewhat marked out in Dr. Rush's will, as exhibiting his own preferences. In that view, it would be proper to send to the Ridgway Library the class of books, without regard to the date of acquisition, which are used by the student and more serious readers,—such as those on religion, metaphysics, the classical authors, the more important scientific, geographical, and historical works,—only retaining of these any duplicates we might possess, and, for a time, all new works of general popular demand. On the other hand, there could be placed, temporarily or permanently, in the new library building, books better fitted to a circulating library in the ordinary sense,—which in fact the company began with, and thus restoring its primitive simplicity,—such as recent histories, travels, biography, periodicals, works of art and fiction. These seem to be less appropriate to Dr. Rush's scheme, though not excluded by it. It would be further desirable to retain, in the interest of the public, a class of works which are constantly in requisition in the courts, and by persons connected with public bodies or newspapers, for whom the building at Broad and Christian streets would, for practical purposes, be inaccessible. This return we owe to the liberal policy which has exempted our property from taxation. This class would comprehend common books of reference, congressional and state documents, newspapers, maps, and documents of local importance. In this arrangement, the board will, however, be controlled by experience, and the preferences of the members. In a short time, it can be discovered by the statistics, what class of books, in the debateable ground between the extremes suggested, is most called for at each institution.

By this means there can be little doubt that the objections to the division of the books, which have been urged as well by some who would simply reject the gift of Dr. Rush, as by some who would accept it without reserve, can be removed, and the wishes of a majority of the members met.

This being the plan of division which will probably be adopted, it remains to state in general how the new Library is to be worked.

1. There will be a spacious reading-room, well warmed and ventilated, and properly furnished.
2. The current magazines and periodicals of a scientific and literary character will be provided.
3. Special accommodations for ladies, with a sitting-room, are arranged.
4. The Library will, as soon as practicable, be open in the evening to readers.



5. Annual subscriptions will be allowed for the future at fixed rates, as new shares can not be issued by the company.

6. An arrangement is contemplated by which books can be delivered to members and subscribers at their homes, free of cost.

7. Separate accounts for members and subscribers will be kept at both branches, with somewhat similar privileges as to the number of books to be taken out on each.

8. Facilities to students of Art will be offered in the use of books on that subject, of which the Library has an increasing number.

9. The new building will be connected by telephone with the Ridgway branch, and the interchange of books between the two will be effected in a more speedy way than at present. There is reason to expect that other libraries may be connected in this way with ours, so that a student in any one of them can at once discover whether a book can elsewhere be found in the city, and have it procured for him, if possible.

With regard to the pecuniary condition of the Library Company, the following statement is furnished by the treasurer:—

Balance.....	\$2,442 81
Receipts for 1878-9.....	10,510 56
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	\$12,953 37

Payments:—

Salaries and wages.....	\$4,132 25
Other expenses.....	2,771 77
Books.....	4,846 68
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	11,750 70

Balance in hand.....	<hr/> \$1,202 67
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The building fund, including the cost of the ground purchased, amounts to.....	\$120,368 99
Less expenses already incurred in building..	1,074 75
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	\$119,294,24

It may be added here that when the present Library building is sold, after the removal to the new one, the proceeds of sale will doubtless be sufficient to add two or more thousand dollars yearly to the income of the company.

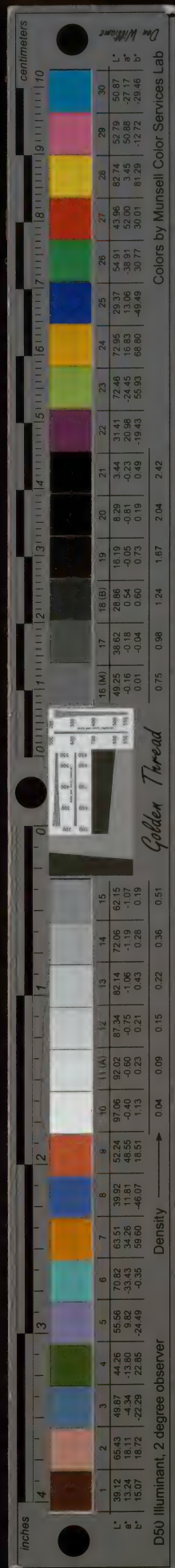
In order to form an estimate of the extent to which the Library is used, a list of persons visiting the building was begun on the 16th of last November. From that it appears that up to April 3d, being one hundred and fifteen days, there were:—

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Visits of members.....	21,862	
“ “ messengers for members.....	3,480	
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	25,342	
“ “ strangers	8,508	
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	33,850	
Average per day, members.....	220.3	
“ “ strangers.....	73.9	
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	294.2	

It has not yet been possible to determine with accuracy the number of books used or consulted, as many are read in the Library which are not set down in the ledger accounts. It is expected, however, that before long a system of tickets will be introduced which will furnish a complete record of the use of the Library. For the present purpose, the librarian considers that the books delivered to or for members will not average less than three a day. This would give during the one hundred and fifteen days an average of six hundred and sixty volumes a day. By a simple calculation it would thus appear that the space above estimated in the new building for twenty-five thousand volumes is ample for books in current use, without the addition of galleries.

The present financial condition of the Ridgway branch is, the directors regret to state, not as satisfactory as could be desired. When the building and lot of ground were actually conveyed to the company by Dr. Rush's executor, there was still much left to be done to put them in a condition for use, which, though in strictness included among the duties imposed on the executor, yet might well be considered as subjects for the discretion of the company itself. These principally consisted in the shelving, the fitting up of the interior, and the laying out of the grounds around the building. Though the directors exercised strict economy in the matter, the cost of this, in an edifice of such dimensions and character, was very great; in fact it absorbed all the cash of the estate left on hand. The erection of the building itself, which with the lot cost about \$830,000 (which is exclusive of taxes, loss of interest before the completion of the building, and incidental expenses), had previously exhausted all the available cash assets of the estate. There has been left—as representing the income of residuary estate, by which the annuities are to be paid, the current expenses met, and the sinking fund provided for as required by the will,—only the rental of a number of house and store properties, not all in the best locations. This rental has been much reduced by the depressed condition of business. Moreover, since under the provisions of the will none of the real estate can be sold for a period not yet expired, some of the unavoidable expenditure of organizing the institution had to be cast on this diminished income. The consequence is that there is an estimated deficit for the first year of about \$2600. By the end of the succeeding year, it is expected that this will be reduced to \$200. With an improvement in the times and a reduction of the working expenses, this may even disappear. But it cannot be hoped that there will be left, for several years,



any means for the purchase of books, and even a sufficiency of income for mere working expenses cannot be positively relied on.

Under these circumstances the propriety of the action of the company in stipulating that their funds, as well as their books, should be unaffected by their acceptance of the trusts under Dr. Rush's will, is manifest.

The number of visitors at the Ridgway Branch is, of course, as yet small, though increasing every month.

From December 1st to April 1st the statistics are as follows:—

Readers	414
Books used.....	1,704
Books taken out.....	229
No record of visitors generally was kept in December or January, but for February and March, say fifty days, the aggregate was (including readers)	1,388
Average a day.....	27.7

In conclusion, the directors beg to submit to the consideration of the meeting the propriety of providing by a by-law for the annual appointment by the company of a committee of members to examine the accounts of their different branches. The increased responsibilities which the directors have now thrown on them, and the necessity of a proper scrutiny of the management of institutions of a somewhat different character, and with certainly distinct rights, by the same body of persons, render this only proper.

By order of the Directors.

WILLIAM HENRY RAWLE,
Secretary.

May, 1879.

May 5th 1879

At the annual meeting of the members of this company held this day at 3 o'clock PM in the Library Building, George W. Bidwell was called to the chair, and the Secretary of the company acted as Secretary.

The Secretary read to the ~~company~~ ^{meeting} the Report of the Directors approved by the Board at their meeting on the 1st inst, whereupon, on motion the same was unanimously approved.

On motion of Edward Bedlock the

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following Byelaw was unanimously passed

Be it enacted that three persons, not members of the Board, be appointed by the Chair at each annual meeting, to audit the accounts of the Library Company, and of the Midway Branch, and of the Loganian Library, and certify as to their accuracy.

Whereupon the Chair appointed Messrs. Edward Bedlock, Alexander Biddle and Robert M. Lewis for that purpose.

Wm Henry Power
Secretary

Recapitulation of Treasurer's Account.

Dr.

Books and periodicals	3,326.57			
Binding	1,382.52	4,709	09	
Salaries		3,157	25	
Expenses, repairs and improvements		1,989	40	
Insurance on books		420	00	
Taxes		628	31	
Legal expenses Tax base		844	15	
Balance		1,202	69	12,950 89

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Balance		2,442	81	
Ground Rents	95.78			
Interest	126.06	221	84	
Rents. Saw Buildings		2,525	00	
Yearly payments	7,690.24			
Back dues	35.00	7,725	24	
Yearly subscriptions		36	00	12,950 89

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Recapitulation of the Building Fund.

To cost of Real Estate	41,839	18	By Subscriptions paid	16,822	
" " suit Libby vs. Williams	4,688	88	" Bequest of Joseph Fisher dec'd	54,488	12
" " 20,500--U.S. Bonds	20,738	19	" Proceeds of shares sold	2,464	
" " 18,000 Mortgages	18,000	00	" Interest	36,651.08	
" " New Building (one)	1,074	75	" Net returns of Rents		
" Cash	8,716	87	Locust Street Houses	14,632.67	51,283 75
	125,057	87			125,057 87

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 Treasurer

Recapitulation of Treasurer's Account - Ridgway Branch

<u>Cr.</u> Cash of Henry J. Williams Executor	14,545	24	
Proceeds of Stocks sold	602	77	15,148 01
Net Rents of Real Estate 10 mos			16,550 00
			31,698 01

<u>Dr.</u> Fitting up Buildings and Grounds	13,614	98	
Legal Expenses including Tax case	5,626	15	
Edition of Rush on the Voice	766	40	20,007 53
Annuities			2,840 00
Books and binding	1,654	29	
Moving books to Broad Street	106	25	1,760 54
Salaries and Wages 11 mos	3,657	65	
Current Expenses, viz: Fuel, cleaning - care of grounds, pay of two assistants and incidentals	1,987	23	5,644 88
Balance			1,445 06
			31,698 01

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At a Special Meeting of the Directors
May 10th 1879.

Present

Messrs	Willing	Gramond
	McCall	Biddle
	Wharton	Newbold
		Buckley

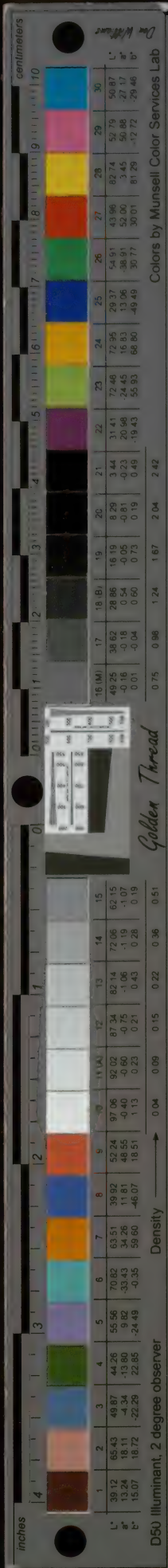
~~the~~ Secretary and Treasurer.

The Minutes of the Meeting held May 5, 1879
were read and approved.

The Secretary read the returns of the election
for Directors and Treasurer as follows:

At an Election held at the Library on
Monday the fifth (5th) day of May 1879, for a
choice of Twelve Directors and a Treasurer of the
Library Company of Philadelphia, the following
persons attended in person or by proxy to give
their votes.

1. Wm L. McTier	13. Henry Gramond
2. S. W. Roberts	14. Henry S. Lowber
3. John T. Montgomery	15. James S. Biddle
4. T. Hewson Bache	16. Edward R. Wood
5. S. Kingston McRay	17. Chas. M. Crea
6. George W. Biddle.	18. Tho. M. Stewart
7. Ed. Bedlock	19. Louis C. Madeira
8. Dr Chas Willing	20. Thomas M. Cleeman,
9. Saml H. Austin	21. Chas S. Potter
10. J. D. Sergeant	22.
11. J. D. Rodney	23. J. B. Lippincott & Co
12. Lloyd P. Smith	24. Robert P. Morton



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| 25. Samuel Wilcox | 35. A. G. Stewart |
| 26. Charles Norris | 36. A. N. Borroughs |
| 27. J. Topliff Johnson | 37. Emileu L. Gresson |
| 28. L. A. Dwyer | 38. W. Henry Rawle |
| 29. Edward Stopper | 39. Ed. S. Harlan |
| 30. Henry Wharton | 40. Isaac Meyer |
| 31. J. M. P. Wallace | 41. S. Decatur Smith |
| 32. Samuel R. Shipley | 42. James Reisky |
| 33. Geo M. Abbott | 43. G. Alfred Woodward |
| 34. Wm M. M. Fadden | |

Directors.

Charles Willing	Forty three votes
David Lewis	Forty three votes
J. J. Clark Hare	Forty three votes
Peter M. Ball	Forty three votes
Henry Wharton	Forty three votes
Henry Gramond	Forty three votes
James S. Biddle	Forty three votes
Henry C. Lea	Forty three votes
John S. Newbold	Forty three votes
Casper Wister	Forty three votes
Edward S. Buckley	Forty three votes
<u>S. Weir Mitchell</u>	Forty three votes

Treasurer

Lloyd P. Smith Forty three votes.

We the subscribers testify that the above is a true state of the Election of Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia, held on Monday, the fifth day of May 1879, agreeably to the Charter and Laws of the said Company, and that Charles Willing,

David Lewis, J. I. Clark Hare, Peter M. Ball,
Henry Wharton, Henry Gramond, James S.
Biddle, Henry C. Lea, John S. Newbold, Casper
Wister, Edward S. Buckley and S. Weir Mitchell
were duly elected Directors, and Lloyd P. Smith
Treasurer, of the said Company for the ensuing
year.

Attest

J. C. Sergeant

J. D. Rodney

Judges

William Henry Rawls was re-elected Secretary.

The following standing Committees were
appointed by the Board:

Committee on Finance

Messrs Biddle, Lea, and Newbold.

Book Committee

Messrs, Willing, Hare, Wharton, Gramond and
Wister.

Executive Committee to serve for the ensuing
year.

Messrs Willing, Lewis, Hare, M. Ball, Wharton
Gramond, Biddle, Lea, Newbold,
Buckley, Wister and Mitchell, being
the whole Board of whom Messrs
Willing and Lewis are to serve for the
present month ^{and thereafter one to be changed each month in} the order of
Seniority.

Committee on the Ridgway Branch

Messrs, M. Ball, Buckley and Mitchell.

The present Temporary Committee on Free proof building. Messrs. Wharton Biddle and Newbold were continued, and on motion Mr. Buckley was added to the Committee

The Reports of the Librarian and of the Treasurer were read.

On motion it was resolved that the proper officers of the Library Company are hereby authorized to execute and deliver an assignment of the Mortgage of \$5000 given by Elisha S. Pinckney to the Company dated November 12. 1874 recorded in Mortgage book F. J. W. No 202. page 54, secured on Premises on Pulaski Avenue.

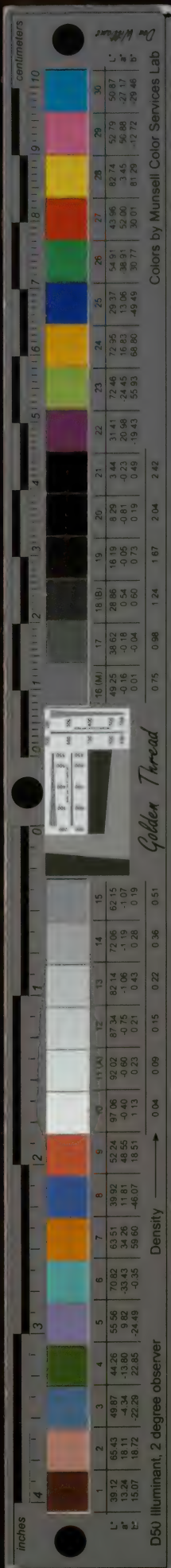
The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer.

<u>477.</u>	Librarian's Salary 3 mos to 1st inst	\$ 450.	
	Treasurer's " " "	50	
	B. Owen Assistant " " "	200	
	W. H. Rawle Secy 12 " "	16	
	J. G. Barnwell 8 weeks in full	160	\$ 816
<u>478.</u>	As much money as will purchase a Bill of Exchange for £300 to be remitted to Edward G. Allen for the purchase of Books.		
	As much money as will buy a Bill of Exchange for £50 to be remitted to B. F. Stevens for Periodicals.		
<u>479.</u>	Balance due Librarian for current Expenses as per Report of Committee	88 82	
	Current expenses for the ensuing year - to be accounted for	700	\$ 788.82

480.	Charles Robson	Books	#	5	25	247
	Library Journal	"		5	—	
	Smith & Stroup	"		5	34	
	Bankers Magazine	"		5	—	
	N.E. Genealogical Socy	"		3	—	
	S. J. Le Bell	"		6	—	
	W. L. Haskins	"		5	—	\$34.59
481.	Mag. Am. History	"		5	—	
	F. W. Robinson & Co	"		2	—	
	J. K. Simon	"		5	—	
	J. M. Stoddart & Co	"		3	19	
	Ripka & Co	"		12	—	
	Canadian Monthly	"		3	—	
	Gopells Directory	"		7	50	\$37.69
482.	Taxes for 1879			598	75	
	Insurance " "			180	—	
	Water Rent " "			15	—	
	Rent of Tin Box			5	—	
	Wm Owen	Carpenter		6	—	
	Peter Carrigan	Repairs		5	55	
	Melvil Dewey	Furniture		18	36	
	Moss & Co	Stationery		38	57	\$86.23

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch.

37.	Annuities due	27 May viz.	#		
	Caroline Little	6 mos		900	—
	Mary C. Ritchie	6 "		500	—
	Anne M. Rush	6 "		180	—
	S. C. Rush	6 "		180	—
	Julia M. Biddle	6 "		900	—
	Richard H. Rush	6 "		180	—
					\$2840.00



38.	Lloyd P. Smith	Lib ⁿ + Treat 1 month	\$	83	33	
	George M. Abbott	Assistant	"	150	—	
	Edward W. Grath	Janitor	"	50	—	
	Stephen Paret	Watchman	"	34	50	\$ 317.33
39	Water Rent for 1879			137	—	
	Gas Bill			30	32	
	MacTier & Steel	Coal		73	50	
	Fire Extinguishers			50	00	
	Riggs & Co	Watchmans clock		77	50	
	Roberts & Shaw	Moving		5	50	
	— do —	"		8	00	\$ 381.33

On motion of Mr. Wharton it was Resolved
1st That the Government bonds now held by the
Library Company of which the Nos and Amounts
are as follows.

N ^o 3209. U.S. 1881	\$ 1,000	N ^o 2432 U.S. 10/40 ^{over}	\$ 9,000
" 3210. " " "	1,000	" 10644 " "	500
" 3248. U.S. Currency 6 ⁸	1,000	" 7478 " 4 ⁰	1,000
" 3249. " " "	1,000	" 23577 " "	5,000
" 3250. " " "	1,000	" 23578 " "	1,000
" 2141. " 10/40	1,000	" 23579 " "	1,000
" 8557 " "	1,000	" 23580 " "	1,000
" 8751 " "	1,000	" 13348 " 10/40 ^s	1,000
" 9632 " "	1,000		
over	\$ 9,000	Total	\$ 20,500

be sold and that the Secretary be authorized
to affix the Corporate Seal of the Company to
the transfers thereof.

2^d That the sales under the above resolution
be made under direction of the Finance Committee
and that the bonds when sold be certified
by it from time to time to the Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Wharton it was resolved
that the Committee or Fireproof building be author-
ized to lease the ground on Juniper Street on
which are erected the remaining five dwelling
houses to persons residing on Broad Street as a

garden or play ground for a period of years at a cost sufficient to pay any taxes to be assessed thereon and such further sum as may be considered advisable.

Mr. Wharton moved that the Finance Committee and the Committee on the Ridgway Branch be requested to report at the next meeting, a re-arrangement of the Schedule of Salaries with a view to greater economy.

A communication was presented from a Committee of the Apprentices Library Company, with respect to the purchase by it of the premises at the Corner of 5th and Library Streets which was referred to the Committee on Fireproof Building.

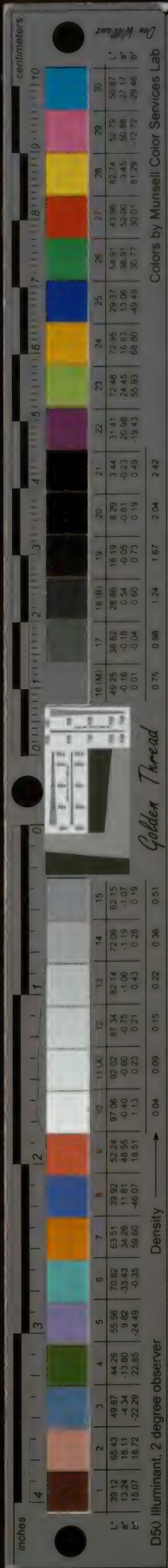
Mr. Bedlock, one of the Committee appointed at the Meeting of Shareholders to Audit the Library accounts, having declined to serve, the Chairman of the Meeting appointed Dr. Edward Shippen U. S. R. in his stead.

The following transfers of shares were approved
 Rachel B. Richards. to S. Barbara Richards
 Executor of Laurence Lewis. " Samuel J. Sharpless.

The following presents having been received, the Librarian was directed to thank the donors therefor.

The Non Resistant	from	Edward M. Davis
Jean Lindsay	"	R. C. Clark
Rose Dunbar's mistake.	"	"
St Paul at Athens.	"	"
Breed's feeding on Christ.	"	"
Bible teachings in Nature.	"	"
The Brinton Family	"	Dr. Brinton

Wm. Henry Riddle
 Secretary



At a meeting of the Directors
June 5th 1879

Present

Messrs. Lewis	Oramond
Hare	Newbold
Mc. Call	Wister
Wharton	Buckley
Mitchell	
	Secretary and Treasurer

The Minutes of the meeting held May 10, 1879 were read and approved.

The Librarian reported.

Number of volumes moved to the Ridgway Branch	62.196.	
Private library of Dr. Rush	<u>4.619</u>	66.815
Remaining in Fifth St. Library	42.439	
Duplicates and fiction	<u>7.931</u>	50.370
Total volumes in Library		<u>117.185</u>

The number of visitors at the Ridgway Branch in May was	802
Readers " " " "	<u>172</u>
Total	<u>974</u>

The number of books there read was 612
and the number taken out was 80

At the Philadelphia ^{Library} the total attendance during May, was 8443, or an average of 338 per day.

Also that the leak in the roof of the Ridgway Branch had been repaired.

Also that on the 28th of June, an International Conference of Librarians would be held at Boston, and the Librarian recommended that Benjamin F. Owen have leave of absence to attend the Conference on behalf of the Library.

On motion of Mr. Newbold it was unanimously resolved that the Directors do not deem it expedient to adopt the recommendation as to Mr. Owen being sent to Boston on behalf of the Library.

The Treasurer reported.

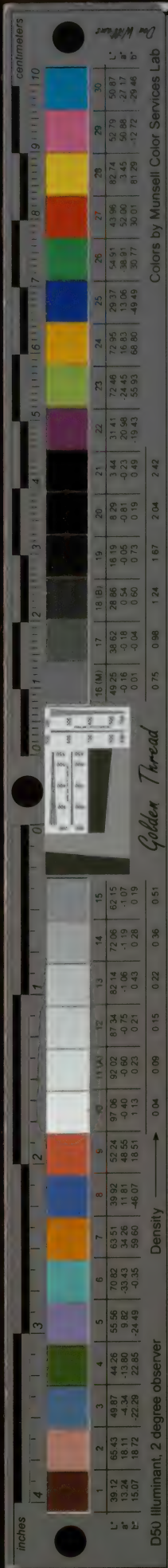
Cash balance of the Library Company is	\$4,205.67
Loganian " "	1,173.56
Building Fund	5,488.87
Ridgway Branch	248.73
in London	£ 112.10.14.
" Paris	f 997.20

The following order was drawn on the Treasurer payable out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch

N ^o 40. Lloyd P. Smith, Librarian & Treasurer 1 mo.	\$83.33.
George M. Abbott Assistant	150.00.
Eduard W. Grath Janitor	50.00.
Stephen Paret, Watchman	38.75.
D. Landreth & Son, Mowing Lawn	12.00.
Roberts & Shaw Mowing	<u>3.75.</u> \$337.83.

The following shares were declared to be forfeited in accordance with the Charter and Laws for non payment of the dues of 1878.

Margaret A. Gray's estate
 Anna D. Mearns's estate
 Emily D. Curwen
 Robert S. Parrhall
 Thomas A. Reilly's estate
 Anna R. Scott
 Elwood Wilson Jr.



The following transfer of shares were approved
 Executor of George B. Wood to R. Francis Wood
 " Louis A. Godey " Marion G. Seeger
 Anna M. Pollock " J. Lewis Crozer
 Executor of Miranda E. Osbourne " Thomas R. Osbourne

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Congressional Record. 4 Vols.	from Hon. S. J. Randall
Pickering's Chron. Hist. of Plants.	" the Author
Smith's English flora. 4 vols	" C. R. Hildeburn Esq
Report of the Silver Commission. Vol. 2	" Hon. W. B. Warner
" N. Y. Produce Exchange	" Managers
" on life saving service ordnance	" U. S. Connor Esq
" of the U. S. Life saving Service 1878	" Do.
Liles' Man as a spiritual being	" the author
Mass. Hist. Socy Proceedings, 1791-1835	" Society
Rhode Island Hist. Tracts. 5 nos	" C. C. Hession Esq
Higginson's Sympathy of religions	" the author
Fausset's Bible cyclopedia	" R. C. Clark Esq
Abbot & Conant's Dict. of religious knowl.	" - Do -
Smithsonian Inst. Documents relating to	" Institution
Acct. of the revival of the Wash. & Infamy	" W. A. Courmay Esq
Reception of Genl. F. M. Logan by	" Do - " Do
Hampton's Reception	" Do " "
Thompson's oration Anniversary of W. L.	" " "
In memoriam - George Alfred Trenholm	" " "
New England Socy. of Charleston & L. B. Martineau 1874	" " "
Case of Savannah & Charleston R. R. Co	} from various donors.
Appellants brief, 23 pamphlets	

The Executive Committee reported a recommendation that the Library at Fifth Street be kept open all summer and that the Ridgway Branch be closed

for one month. Also that the Librarian and each of his assistants be allowed a vacation of three weeks.

On Motion of Mr. M. Ball this recommendation was unanimously adopted with the understanding that the absences should be so arranged as not to interfere with the efficiency of the Library.

The Committee on Finance reported a correspondence with J. H. Wheeler, Esq. on the subject of the sale of the Schweitzer Mortgage of \$13,000, whereupon on motion of Mr. Wharton it was unanimously

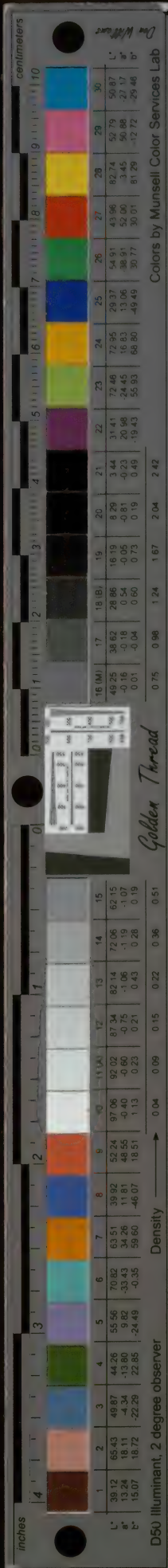
Resolved, that the Finance Committee be authorized to sell the Mortgage of Louis Schweitzer for \$13,000 recorded in Mortgage Book D.H.S. No 90, p. 247 at such price as may be deemed best by them, and that the Secretary be authorized to affix the corporate seal to the assignment thereof, Provided that the said Louis Schweitzer give his note for any difference between the sum to be paid, and the par value of the Mortgage.

The joint Committees of Finance and the Ridgway Branch made the following report.

"The joint Committees of Finance and Ridgway Branch to whom was referred the subject of Salaries respectfully report that the Salaries as now arranged are those set forth on the accompanying exhibit marked A. and amount to \$7484.

"The increase over former rates are as follows:

S. P. Smith	from \$2,400	to \$3,400	✓
Geo Abbot	"	1,500 "	1,800
Benj. Owen	"	300 "	800
Clifford Lewis (New)			1,000



making a Total increase of \$2,800

" In view of the excess of expenses of the Ridgway Branch over its income during the past year and the necessity of rigid economy to avoid embarrassment in the future, the Committee feels constrained to recommend a considerable reduction upon the salaries now allowed. In no case however do we propose to revert to the rate established prior to the acquisition of the Ridgway Branch.

" We suggest for the adoption of the Board the Schedule hereto annexed marked B.

" The changes from present rates, stated Concisely, are:

"Mr. Smith's Salary"	\$3400	to	\$2800
Owen "	800	to	600
Lewis "	1000	to	700

" It will be observed that we also propose to charge \$200 of Mr. Abbot's Salary to the Logansian Library.

" The net result will be a saving to the Ridgway Branch of \$1100 a decrease to the Library Compy of \$200 and an increase to the Logansian Compy of \$200. In other words the total Annual reduction of Salaries will be \$1100.

James S. Biddle. Ch^r Finance Com^{tee}
Weir Mitchell.

John S. Newbold.

A. M. Ball.

Edw. T. Buckley "

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"Exhibit. A."

"Memorandum of salaries now (June 1879) paid by the Philadelphia, Loganian and Ridgway Libraries

"Philadelphia Library.

Lloyd P. Smith, Librarian	\$1,800	
Treasurer	<u>.200</u>	\$2,000
Benjamin Owen, Asst. Librarian		800
Lawrence Hoy, Messenger &	\$3. a week	.156
Morton Shaw Ditto		<u>.156</u>
		\$3,112.

"Loganian Library

Lloyd P. Smith, Librarian	\$300	
Treasurer	<u>100</u>	400.

"Ridgway Branch

Lloyd P. Smith, Librarian	\$1,000	
G. Maurice Abbot Assistant do	<u>1,800</u>	\$2,800
Samuel	\$3. a week	.156
Clifford Lewis for collecting		<u>1,000</u>
		3,956.

Secretary's salary, also divided (properly) between the three, but charged to Philadelphia Library

Total Salaries

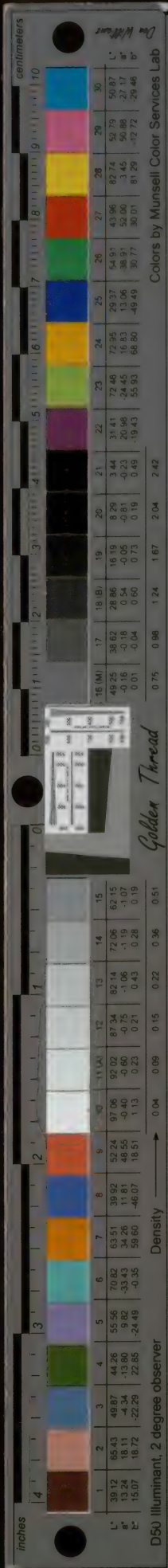
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\$7,484.

"Exhibit B.

"Proposed Schedule of Salaries.

"Philadelphia Library.

Lloyd P. Smith Librarian	\$1,800	
" " Treasurer	<u>200.</u>	\$2,000
Benjamin Owen Asst. Librarian		600



Lawrence Cox \$3 per week .156

Morton Shaw ditto .156

Eogannan Library

Lloyd P. Smith Librarian \$300.

" " Treasurer 100. \$400

Geo. M. Abbot. Asst Librarian 200

Ridgway Branch

Lloyd P. Smith \$400

Geo. M. Abbot. 1,600 \$2,000

B. Samuel \$3 per week .156

Clifford Lewis for collecting 700

Secretary's Salary 16

Total Salaries \$6,356

Whereupon on motion of Mr. Wharton it was unanimously Resolved that the report of the Joint Committee be adopted and that the reduction take effect from the commencement of the fiscal year, but that up to July 1. 1879, the officers be allowed an addition to their salaries proportioned to the former amount received.

On Motion of Mr. Wharton, it was unanimously Resolved that the Book Committee be authorized to settle the matter in controversy with the Executors of the late Robert Coleman Esq. as respects the remittance made in the year 1878, by the payment to them of the sum of francs in addition to the sum of 1000 francs previously remitted and the receipt of the books in Philadelphia enumerated in the invoice except such as the

Committee have indicated in communicating with the Executors.

On motion of Mr. Newbold, it was unanimously Resolved that the Librarian be instructed to make no arrangements for binding books without obtaining offers for such work from other binders than Dawson & Nicholson and reporting thereon to the Board.

The Secretary read a note from Mr. Henry C. Lea resigning his place as Director.

Whereupon on motion of Mr. Wharton it was unanimously

Resolved that Mr. Lea's resignation be accepted and that the order of business be suspended for the purpose of nominating a person to fill the vacancy thus occasioned in the Board. Mr. Wharton thereupon nominated Dr. James H. Hutchinson.

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| Dr. Mitchell | " | Nominated The Rev. William Rudder |
| Mr. Buckley | " | Robert M. Lewis |
| Mr. Lewis | " | Dr. William Norris |

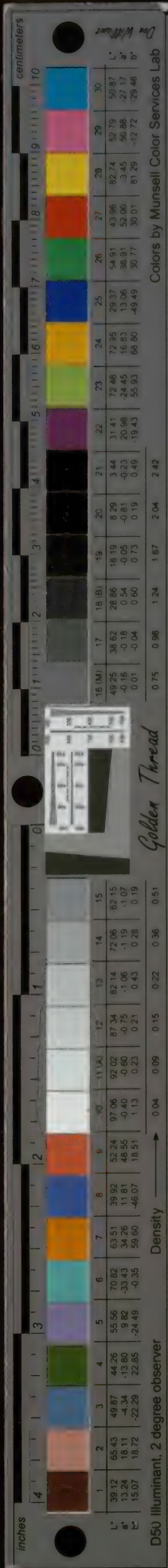
Mr. Wharton from the Books Committee presented the following letter from J. W. Christman on the subject of the importation of foreign books

" New York June 2. 1879

Henry Wharton Esq
Philadelphia

Dear Sir,

Referring to the conversation which I had the pleasure of



having with you a few days ago, I beg to say that I shall be very glad to act as the Agent of the Philadelphia Library Co. for foreign books.

"I beg to propose as a satisfactory arrangement, the same, that has been in force with the Public Library in Boston, viz: to receive a certain amount of books, according to the instructions given, as soon as published, once or twice every month, in a good $\frac{1}{2}$ Morocco binding.

"These can be controlled and supplemented by the Monthly Bulletins, it being understood, that all books, which the Library Committee may specify as desirable, will be ordered independently from the new publications, but will not be duplicated, if they happen to be already selected.

"All books are ^{to be} imported free of duties according to the list, which I had the pleasure of giving you.

"If any further information should be desired, I shall be glad to give it, and if you entrust me with the Agency, you will please to let me have a power of attorney for the importation of your books through the N.Y. Custom House

Yours very respectfully,
(sg) J. W. Christern."

Whereupon on motion of Mr. Wharton, it was unanimously

Resolved that the Secretary be authorized on behalf of the Company to enter into the arrangement for the importation of foreign books at the rates named and on the terms of the said letter of June 2nd 1879.

and be authorized to execute under the corporate
seal the necessary powers of attorney for the
entry of the books through the New York Custom
House.

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors
July 3rd 1879

Presents

Messrs Harton

Gramond

Secretary and Treasurers

No quorum being present, adjourned.

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors
August 7, 1879

Presents

Messrs McCall

Newbold

Buckley

Treasurers

No quorum being present, adjourned.

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors
Sept. 4. 1879

Present
Messrs Gramond Buckley
Treasurer

No quorum being present, adjourned.

Wm. H. R. R. R.
R. R. R.

At a meeting of the Directors
Oct. 2. 1879

Present
Messrs Mc Ball Wharton
Gramond Biddle
Newbold Mitchell
Lewis Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the meeting held June 5th 1879 were read and approved

The Librarian reported that the moving of books, but not newspapers, to the Ridgway Branch had been completed, the total number of volumes transferred being 67,813, to which must be added the private library of Dr. Rush, about 11,600 volumes.

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~~The Librarian further reported, as of July, that "In accordance with the instructions given me at the last meeting I have obtained estimates from other binders than the firm now employed to do the Library's work."~~

~~These prices are from 7 1/2 to 23 % less than those of Pawson & Nicholson, the principal difference being~~

in the folios, of which ^{we} find comparatively few /
Leaving them out for the present, the comparison
would be as follows:

Assuming Rawson & Nicholson's prices at par or 100
Raw's prices are 92 1/2
Lever's " " about 90
Lippincott's " " 96

a difference of from 4 to 10 %. The difference is the
quality of the work, owing to the use by R. & N. of tar-
boards, linen loose-backs and the best materials
and workmanship, is probably 25 % over Levers
and Lippincott's

The moving of books to the Ridgway Branch
is now completed, with the exception of the news-
papers. The total number of volumes transferred is
67,813, to which must be added the private library
of Dr Rush, of about 4,600 volumes. The number of
visitors at the Ridgway Branch during the month
of June was 576 - Readers 104 - Total 680. The num-
ber of books consulted was 320 - taken out 148. Total
368.

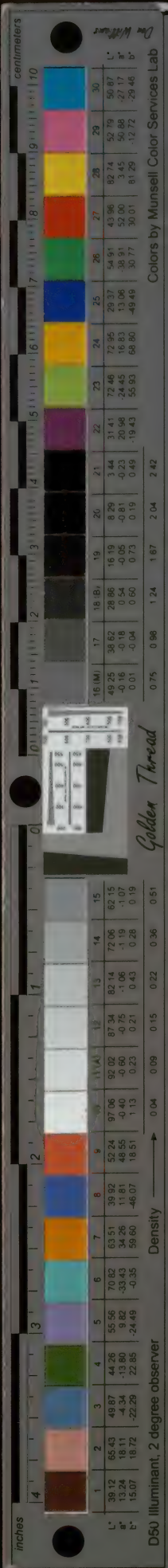
The following presents specially for the Ridgway
Branch have been received and acknowledged.

Bible printed by Christ. Saw from Wm. Fier Smith
The Pennsylvanian 51 vols " Brinton Cox
Am. Sentinel 2 " " "
Potts Memorial " Mrs. J. P. James

The total number of visitors at the Phila.
Library during the month of June was 6501 of
whom 4620 were members and 507 messengers.

The Librarian further reported, as of August,
that "Mr. Abbot, the Assistant in charge of the
Ridgway Branch some time ago adopted a system
of card registry, by which the name of the

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person who has out a particular book can be ascertained. It worked so well, that he has introduced it into the 5th St. Library, where it works very successfully.

The Ridgway Branch was closed on the 15th ult. for 1 month. During the first half of the month there were 219 visitors, 57 readers who consulted 224 books and 42 were taken out.

The total number of visitors at the Phila. Library in July 5061 being an average of 194 a day.

The Librarian further reported as of September, The total attendance at the 5th St. Library during the month of August has been 3582 or an average of 137 a day.

The Ridgway Branch was closed from July 15 to Aug. 15. Since it was reopened the total number of visitors is 340. There have been 71 books consulted in the Library and 13 taken out.

I have had a duplicate of the Stock or Accessions of the Loggians Library made in 5 folio vols, so that there may be one at each Library, and Mr. Abbot is now at work in making a duplicate of the Stock Catalogue of the Phila. Library, which it is very necessary to have for reference in each Building.

I respectfully suggests that it is desirable to have some sign, either on the gate posts or on an oak frame (like the Academy of Fine Arts) to show that the Ridgway Branch is a Library and that all are permitted to use it.

The work of classifying all the books in both libraries is now complete, so far as the Stock Catalogue is concerned, and at any time that it is thought desirable to put all the books on any one or more subjects together on the shelves in Locust St. it

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will be easy to do it.

I should like to have definite instruction in regard to binding. I took away the binding from Rawson & Nicholson and gave it to Mr. Raw, but his work was so unsatisfactory that, pending the order of the Board, I have given it back to Rawson & Nicholson.

I respectfully recommend that Stephen Paces Watchman at the Ridgway Branch be dismissed for disobedience to orders, neglect of the interests of the Library, and impertinence to the Janitor, his Superior officer.

The Librarian further reported, as of present date: Lawrence Cope, our second Assistant, has left the service of the Library. I respectfully request permission to take another young man on trial, Edward Barber at \$3. a week.

I suggest that the time has nearly come to appoint a Janitor for the Locust St. Building.

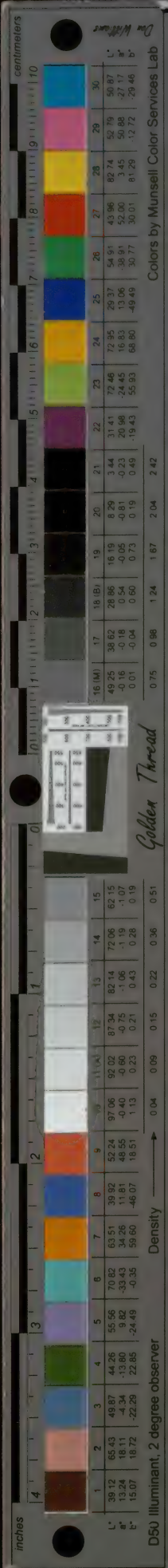
After transferring the books described in the printed Catalogue to the Ridgway Branch, there is still shelf room for 13,000 vols. I recommend that the greater part of the theological books now in Fifth St. be removed to Broad and Christian.

The number of visitors at the Ridgway Branch during September was 1254 Readers 97 Total 1351. The number of books consulted was 291; the number of books taken out was 102, total 393.

At the 5th St. Library the total attendance was 5766 being an average of 221 per day.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands as of July 3. 1879

Entered by Mrs. J. C. H.



Balance to the credit of the Library Co 5.093.67
 From which must be deducted the orders
 to be drawn today - including salaries to
 1st inst, and all outstanding Bills. 2,156.05

Leaving a surplus of 2,937.62

The whole of this is available for Books
 and Binding, as the Income unless some-
 thing unforeseen occurs will pay all expenses
 for the remainder of the financial year and
 leave a moderate balance to be carried over.

The Loganian Balance is 334.39
 There is nothing to be set off against this
 except 2 mos salaries amounting to \$100.
 Pearson & Nicholson's and all other outstanding
 Bills have been paid.

The Balance to the credit of the Ridgway
 Branch is 306.94

Against this are the orders to be drawn
 today amounting to 630.48

Mr. Clifford Lewis reports that he expects
 to be able to pay the balance of the Faxes for
 the current year by the 31st inst, and to
 enable him to do this I have not called for
 anything from him this month

The Cash Balance of the Building Fund is 8,650.82

The amt already paid on 7c of the new Building 6,821.87

There will be paid off on the 31st inst
 a Mortgage amounting to 13,000.

And the Fund owns Government Bonds at par 20,500.

Total of Building Fund 48,972.69

The Balance in London is £52"5"9

The Treasurer further reported the following
 balances in his hands as of August 7, 1879.

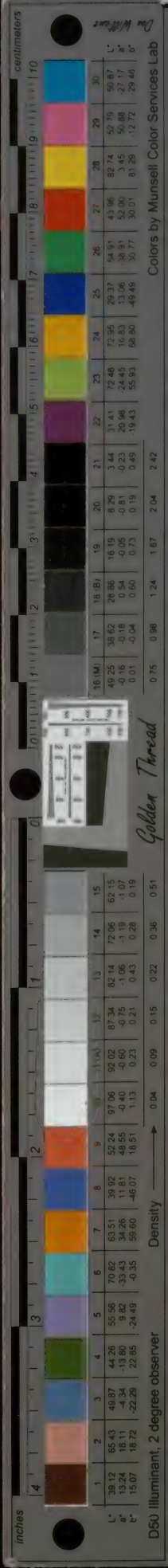
The Balance to the Cr. of the Library Co. is 3,320.67
 Less orders to be drawn today 536.22
 Balance after all Bills are paid 2,784.45
 The Loganian Balance is 484.39
 Less orders today 150.
 Balance after all Bills are paid 334.39
 The Balance of the Building Fund is 17,905.68
 Amt already expended on New Building 10,761.87
 Government Bonds at par 20,500.
 Total available for Building 49,167.55

The premiums on Government Bonds and an outstanding Balance due from Louis Schweitzer will bring this up to 50,000.-

The Taxes for the current year on the property of the Ridgway Branch have all been paid, but that left nothing for the Agent to hand over to me for the present month, so that there is a Balance due the Treasurer of \$323.54 which I have borrowed from the funds of the Library Co. The orders this month are \$271.60.

On the 29th ult. I filed in the Auditor General's office a Registry of this Co. in accordance with the Act of June 7. 1879, stating the name of the Co., the date of the Charter, that it has no place of business, but that the Library Building is at 5th & Library Streets, that there is no capital stock authorized and none paid in and no President. I gave the names of the Secy and Treasurer.

The Balance in the hands of Edward G. Allen, London, for the purchase of books is £35-12-5 and in the hands of F. W. Christern for French Books is \$200.- the latter by order of the Book Committee.



The Treasurer further reported the following balances in his hands as of Sept. 4. 1879

Balance to the credit of the Library Co.	2866.70
Less orders to be drawn today	328.44
Cash Balance	2538.26

One hundred dollars will I think, cover all outstanding Bills not presented. The balance in the hands of Edward H. Allen London is £ 35-12-8, Robert Coleman's Est. for 1000 and J. W. Christern N. York \$200.

The Cash Balance of the Loganic Library is 84.46 There is nothing against this except 1 month's salaries say 50 - On the 1st prox \$600. interest will be due the Loganic Library.

The balance to the credit of the Ridgway Branch is 188.20 which will be more than absorbed by the Orders to be drawn today amounting to \$608.91. The end of the month, however, ought to see the financial equilibrium of this account permanently re-established.

The Cash Balance of the Building Fund is 17,813.87

The Treasurer further reported the following balances in his hands, as of present date:

The Balance to the credit of the Library Co. is	2703.67
Less orders to be drawn today	322.82
	2.380.85

The Loganic Balance is	234.46
" Building Fund " "	19.263.14

Add Government Bonds unsold 14.000.

Mr. Schweitzer has paid his memorandum check for \$135.- and \$30.- on account of his

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first note, for \$160. He still owes \$260.

The balance to the Credit of the Ridgeway Branch,
including \$300. transferred from the Logansian Lib'y
for rents to 1st July is 179.29

The orders to be drawn today amount to 239.89

Mr. Clifford Lewis estimates the amts he will
be able to hand over to me during the remainder
of the financial year as follows:

November	1	2.800	
Dec.	1	1.200	
Jan.	1	800	
Feb	1	1.000	
March	1	600	
April	1	2.50	6.650.

The orders will be as follows:

Annuities 6 months	2.840	
Salaries & wages " @ 250.	1.500	
Current expenses say	1.000	
Repairs say	310	5.650

Balance to New Year (estimated) 1.000

To this must be added 6 mos Rents from the
Logansian Library \$300. say 1.300

We entered on the financial year with a
cash Balance of 1,445.06

The Balance in the hands of E. G. Allen
London, is £35 " 12 " 8

Robert Coleman's Estate (to be transferred
to W. M. Christern) fr. 1000.

W. M. Christern, New York \$200.

The following orders were drawn on the Treasurer.

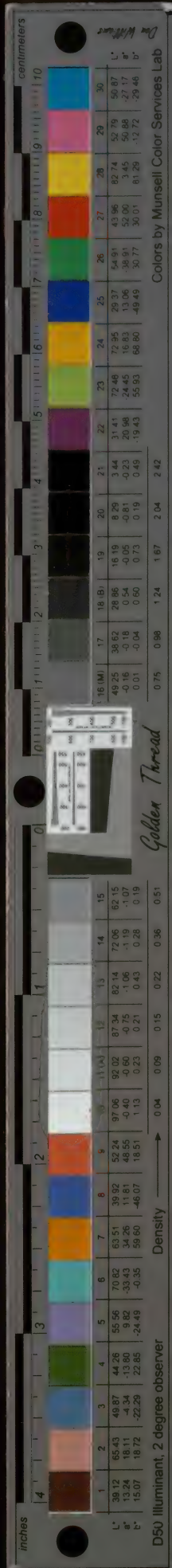
483. Librarian's Salary 2 mos 300.

Treasurer's " " 33.33

Assistant's " " 133.33 466.66

484.	N. E. Genealogical Socy Books	3.	
	Ripka & Co	"	30.
	D. Appleton & Co	"	9.
	Historical Socy of Pa.	"	3.
	M. Auge	"	2.
	J. W. Simon	"	4.
	Jno. Pennington & Son	"	65.
	J. E. Potter & Co	"	3.
	J. S. Biddle	"	<u>1.</u> 120
485.	Jno. Pennington & Son	"	94.64
	Penn Monthly	"	3.
	Schaefer & Koradi	"	16.69
	W. B. Zieber	"	148.50
	J. B. Lippincott & Co	"	146.63
	Clayton, Remson & H.	"	243.94
	Porter & Coates	"	162.34
	Pawson & W. Binding		525.10
	Jno Pennington & Son Books		<u>5.60</u> 1,346.44
486.	J. H. Mc Petrich Repairs		9.50
	C. W. Pegley	"	2.
	C. Williams Sons	"	<u>2.</u> 13.50
487.	J. K. Collins Printing		89.50
	N. American Sub		4.50
	Phila. Inquirer Adv		24.70
	Est. Bulletin	"	26.50
	M. Dewey Library Furniture		20.
	Am. Dist. Telegraph Rents		18.
	N. American Advg		<u>26.25</u> 209.45
488.	Librarian's Salary 1 month		150.
	Treasurer's	"	16.67
	Assistants	"	<u>50.</u> 216.67
489.	J. W. Christern Books		200.
	E. H. Rau & Son Binding		<u>43.95</u> 243.95

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490. Allen Lane & Scott Printing 48.50
 Peter Carrigan Repairs 2.95
 Moss & Co Stationery 17.65
 M. S. Frederick " 6.50 75.60
491. Librarian's Salary 1 month 150.
 Treasurer's " " 16.67
 Assistants' " " 50. 216.67
492. Henry C. Baird Books 2.75
 P. E. Gibbons " 1.33
 Saturday Magazine " 3.50
 Claxton R. & H. " 14.54
 E. H. Rau & Son Binding 49.75 71.87
493. Chas. Williams Jones Repairs 39.90
494. Librarian's Salary, 1 month 150.
 Treasurer's " " 16.67
 Assistants " " 50. 216.67
495. James Hammond Books 70
 Jno. Pennington & Son " 10.10
 Porter & Coates " 3.23
 E. L. Drake " 2.
 Claxton, R. & H. " 15.08
 J. B. Lippincott & Co " 29.84
 M. H. Mallory & Co " 10.75
 Southern Hist. Socy " 3.
 Schaefer & Koradi " 3.60
 E. H. Rau & Son Binding 27.85 106.15
 Ridgway Branch
41. Lloyd P. Smith, Lib & Treas. 1 mo. 83.33
 George M. Abbot, Assistant " 16.67
 Edward Mc Guath, Janitor " 50.
 Stephen Paret, Watchman " 37.50 287.50
42. Miller & Yates, Grounds 150.
 Penna. Paint Co. Sundries 17.14



	James Buist, Hardware,	9.75	
	F. K. Collins, Painting,	6.	
	Kemp & Garrison, Carpenter work	69.81	
	Sharpless & Sons, Screens	<u>13.98</u>	266.68
43.	Levick, Son & Co. Hore	17.70	
	Stevenson & Son Lumber	11.60	
	Bum & Co. Blank Books,	25.	
	Roberts & Shaw Moving	1.50	
	" " "	9.	
	" " "	10.25	
	" " "	<u>1.25</u>	76.30
44.	Lloyd P. Smith, Lib ^{ry} & Treas ^{ry} 1 month	33.33	
	G. M. Abbot, Assistant " "	133.33	
	Edw. Mc Gath, Janitor " "	50.	
	Stephen Paret, Watchman " "	<u>38.75</u>	255.41
45.	Telephone Co. 6 mos. Rents	25.	
	Moss & Co	<u>7.85</u>	32.85
46.	Librarian's Salary 1 month	33.33	
	Assistants' " "	133.33	
	Janitors' " "	50.	
	Watchman's " "	<u>38.75</u>	255.41
47	Mactier & Steel, 50 tons Coal	237.50	
	Pawson & Nicholson, Binding	<u>114.75</u>	
	Roberts & Shaw Cartage	<u>1.25</u>	353.50
48	Librarian's Salary, 1 month	33.33	
	Assistants' " "	133.33	
	Janitors' " "	50.	
	S. Paret Watchman 3 days	<u>5.</u>	221.66
49	Roberts & Shaw cartage	1.25	
	" " "	250	
	" " "	8.	
	G. Sauter, Frames for printed rules	<u>6.48</u>	18.23

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290.	Librarian's Salary, 3 mos.	75	
	Treasurer's " "	25	
	Assistant's " "	<u>50</u>	150.

Robert S. Paschall applied to have his share restored on payment of back dues.

The following transfers were approved.

S. A. Scull to Enoch Lewis
 Ex^{to} R. B. Cabee " Emma A. Cabee
 " Timothy Abbot " Chas. W. Abbot
 Constantine Hering " Chas. S. H. Helen
 G. C. Morris Trustee " George C. Morris
 David Scull " Chas. J. Allen Treasurer
 Est. of Geo. D. Wetherill " Salthe W. Northrop
 " Jules F. Hayes " Charles Richardson
 Mary Ann Marshall " Charles Marshall

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the Donors.

Der Blutige Schan-plotz	from S. W. Pennyfacker Esq.
Campaigns &c of the War of 1812	" Alexander Biddle "
Proc. Am. Phar. Assn. for 1878	" John M. Maisch "
Memoir of Alfred Snee, F.R.S.	" The Author (His Daughter)
Rep. of Chief of Engineers U. S. A. 1878. 3 vols	" Sec'y of War
Rep. Dept. of Agriculture. 1878	" Wm. G. Le Duc Esq
Rules of Discipline	" H. J. Smith "
A persuasive to unity	" "
Am. Annual Monitor 1861	" "
Centennial Visitors Guide	" "
Infant Education	" "
Hampton and Its Students	" "
Doctrine of Jesus Christ	" "

appeal for the Floating Church from H. J. Smith Esq
 Nature of War " "
 Mr. Walton & Mr. Tracy " "
 Story's Conversations &c " "
 The Royal Assassins " Wm. John Potts Esq
 The Bioscope " "
 Narrazione della morte di Giacomo,
 e Beatrice Cenci. &c " "
 American Bicycle " Pope Manfg Co
 Bible Revision " Am. Revision Com.
 Nicholls' Tract. of Ravenstonedale " Author
 Taylors' Memoir of Jos. Henry " "
 Mistakes of Ingersoll " R. C. Clark, Esq
 Tables for Transit Observations " W. S. H. Obs'y
 Washington Jones 1846-9. 3 Vols " "
 25 Pamphlets " Various Donors
 Catalogue of Ticknor Collection
 Boston Public Library " Trustees
 Centennial Exhibition;
 Grounds & Buildings
 Rep. of Director General
 Rep. of Officers
 Appendix to Reports
 Reports & Awards. 11 Vols. " W. S. Cent'l Com.
 Rep. of Water Dept. 1878 " W. H. Mc Ladden
 List of Dangers in the So. Pacific from Capt S. R. Franklin U. S. N.
 Roth's Legoures' Art of Reading " Author
 American Bicycle " Pope Manfg. Co.
 Princeton and its Institutions 2 V. " R. C. Clark, Esq
 U. S. Survey, N. of 100th Meridian Vol 6 " Gen. A. A. Humphreys
 Survey of the Northern Boundary of
 U. S. 1 Vol. & Atlas from Dept. of State
 Duke of York's Book of Laws " M. J. Quay Esq
 Report of Chief Signal Officer, 1878 from Gen A. A. Humphreys.

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Venna. Annul. Rep. of Secy of Int. Affairs 1878 from A. H. Dunkel Esq

Kuidekoper's Judaism at Rome " Author

Federation des Sociétés d'horticulture de Belgique

Bulletins 1860-1876. 14 vols. from Smithsonian Inst.

Rapport sur les Archives nationales " "

Actes du Congrès de Botanique " "

Géographie physique de la Belgique " "

Statistique de la Belgique 3 Vol. " "

Bibliographie de Belgique. 4^e Année, No 1 " "

Nat. Manuscripts of Ireland. Parts 1 & 2 " British Gov't.

Commercial Relations U. S. 11 Vols. " H. J. Smith Esq.

Philadelphia Directory 1869 " "

Rep. of Joint Com. on Reconstruction " "

Message and Documents, 1865-6. 14 Vols " "

" " 1866-7 Abridg'd " "

Patent Office Report, 1856. Mechanics Vol. 143 " "

Hubbard on Custom House Frauds " "

Letters of Paul & Amicus " "

18th An. Rep. Chicago Bd. of Trade 1876 " "

Buckland on early rising " "

Minutes of the Provincial Congress and Council

of safety of N. J. 1775-6 from Hon. S. Stryker Adj. Gen. of N. J.

U. S. Postal Laws & Regulations 1879 from Hon D. M. Key

Book of Common Prayer, Prot. Epis. Ch. " B. G. Caven Esq.

Coasts and Islands of the Mediterranean Part. 3

from Capt. S. R. Franklin U. S. N.

Matheson - Spirit of Christianity, 2 Vols. from R. B. Clark, Esq.

Ewald - Hebrew Syntax " "

Hodge - Conference papers " "

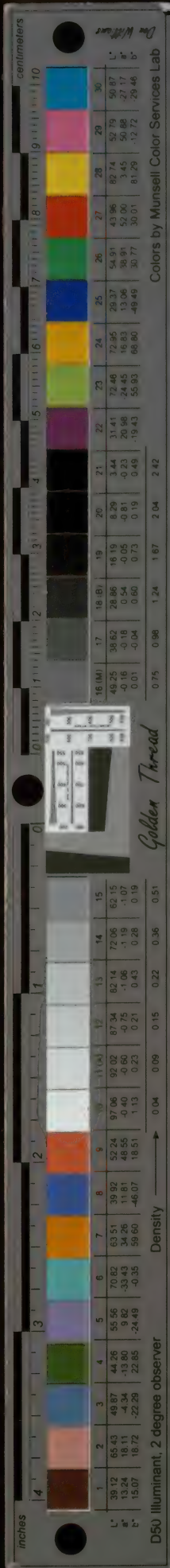
Meyer's Commentary on St. Matthew Vol 2 " "

" " " Acts " "

" " " Corinthians " "

Strong - Harmony of the Gospels " "

Godet - Commentary on St. John Vol. 3 " "



Luthardt, Commentary on St. John Vols 2 & 3 from R. B. Clark		
Have, Doctrine of Sacrifice	"	"
Hiensch, Christian Commonwealth	"	"
Dykes, Abraham, the Friend of God	"	"
Potter, Drinking Usages	} 1 vol.	"
Parrar, Duty of The Church		
Richardson, Moderate Drinking		
Teacher's Bible	"	"
Barzellotti, Ethics of Positivism	"	"
Gloag, The Primaval World	"	"
Juvenile Temperance Manual	} 1 vol	"
U. S. Liquor Laws		
Bible Mines		
Macmillan, Holidays on High Lands	"	"
Ministry of Nature	"	"
Sabbath of the Fields	"	"
First Forms of Vegetation	"	"
Warwick, The Servant of Jehovah	"	"
Austen, Divinity of Our Lord	"	"
Malcom, Call to Christians	"	"
Kant, Metaphysics of Ethics	"	"
Beck, Biblical Psychology	"	"
Bible Temperance Hymns	"	"
Richardson, Long Life & How to reach it	"	"
Maryat, Steps to Christian Manhood	"	"
Huntington, A Living Faith	"	"
Cary, New Testament Greek	"	"
Scribner, These Little Ones	"	"
Fischendorf, The New Testament	} 1 vol.	"
Saying the Catechism		
Our Nations' Peril		
Bureau of Navigation, List of Lights, Parts 1, 2 & 3		
from Capt. S. R. Franklin		
Laws of Pennsylvania 1819	"	The State

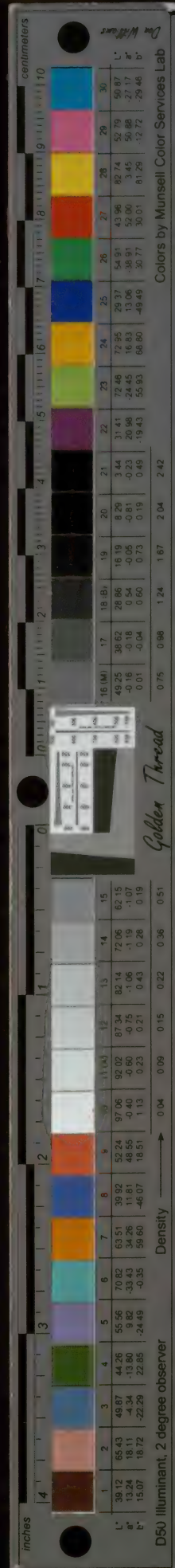
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N. Y. State Survey Reports, 1876, 7, 8 from Jas. F. Gardner
 Official Army Register, 1879. 4 copies " Sec'y of War
 Cope, General of Pelidae, pp. 4. " E. D. Cope Esq
 " Zoology of Montana, " " "
 Rules & Regulations Laurel Hill Cem. Co. 22 " Company
 12 Pamphlets " A. J. Smith Esq
 9 " " Various Donors
 Du Droit de tester par M. E. de C. " Author.
 Census of the State of N. Y. 1875 from N. Y. State Liby
 Docs. rel. to the Colonial Hist of N. Y. Vol 12 " "
 Med. & Sur. Hist of The Rebellion, Pt. 2. " C. H. Crane
 Remembrancia, City of London " City of London
 Munday, Cabinet Poems " The Author
 Elizabeth Newport, A Memoir " David Newport
 Hitchcock, Socialism " R. C. Clark
 Trans. of Coll. of Physicians 3 S. vol 4 " The College
 Annals of the Grand Lodge of Iowa Vol 7 from T. S. Parvin
 Atlantic Monthly, Vol 25. " "
 Nyckoff, The Silk goods of America " The Author
 Davies Hebrew Lexicon " R. C. Clark
 Howson, Miracles of Christ, 2 v. " "
 Annals of Ast. Obs. of Harvard College Vol 11 part 1
 from The College
 31 Pamphlets " Various Donors

For Loganic Library

Stately Homes of England from Col. J. P. Nicholson
 & Portraits of Abr. Lincoln " "
 Account of the Meeting of Descendants
 of Col. Thos. White of Maryland, from "
 31 Pamphlets " Various Donors

Mr. Newbold moved That the Treasurer
 be empowered to loan from the Building Fund



to the Trustees of the Logonian Library the sum of Twelve hundred Dollars (\$1,200) upon interest, the same to be returned out of the income of the Logonian Library on or before May 1, 1880. the sum so loaned to be used in the liquidation of the indebtedness now existing by the Logonian Library to the Philadelphia Library.

Which was carried

Mr. Biddle moved that notice be given at the next meeting that an election would be held to fill the vacancy in the board caused by the resignation of Mr. Lea.

Which was carried

Mr. Biddle moved that the question of who shall be employed as book binder be referred to the Book Committee with power to act.

Which was carried.

Mr. Biddle moved that the question of erecting a sign at the Ridgway Branch be referred to the Committee on Ridgway Branch with power to act

Which was carried

Wm. Henry Rouse
Secretary

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At a meeting of the Directors
December 4, 1879.

Present

Meigs Willing

Hare

McCall

Wharton

Cramond

Biddle

Newbold

Buckley

Secretary & Treasurer.

The minutes of the meeting held Oct. 2. 1879 were read and approved.

The Librarian made his monthly report.

The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands as of Dec. 4, 1879.

The Balance to the credit of the Library Co is
3,078.67. 3.078.67

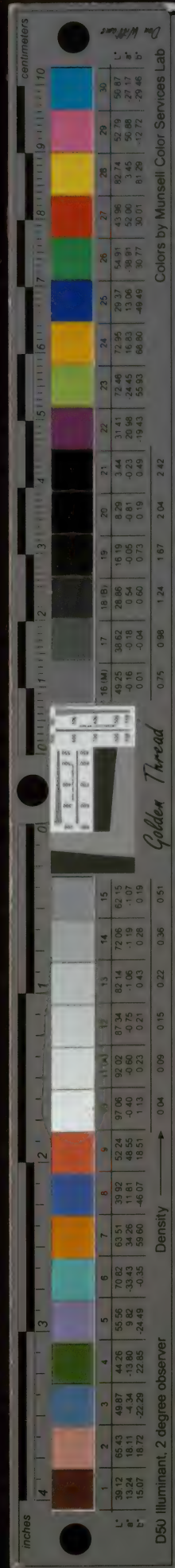
Sep Orders to be drawn today	255.21	
Order No. 1 Book Committee	112.39	367.60
		\$ 2711.07

The Loganian Balance is \$ 139.46
after paying rent to the Ridgway Branch
to the end of the year

The Balance on hand of the Building Fund	10.281.85	
Add Government Bonds at par	14.000. —	
Due by Loganian Library	1.200. —	
		\$ 25.481.85

Mr Sweitzers indebtedness is all paid.

The Balance on hand of the Ridgway Branch	1.159.84	
Sep. orders to be drawn today	1.001.66	
		\$ 158.18



The Balance in the hands of Mr Allen in London £'95.9.2

Total Cost of New Building to date	24.242.18
Cash &c as per Statement above, \$25.481.85	
Interest and premium pay	600. 26.081.85
Funds available for Building	<u>50.324.03</u>

The Treasurer reported the following orders to be drawn as of Nov. 6, 1879.

<u>496</u>	Librarian's Salary 1 Month	150. —
	Treasurer's " 1 "	16. 67
	Assistants " 1 "	<u>50. —</u>
		216. 67

<u>497</u>	Drexel & Co Bxchange £100	481.50
	J B Lippincott & Co Books	18.58
	do " "	20.55
	Claxton, Remsen & H " "	30.13
	do " "	55.43
	J Pennington & Son " "	1. —
	do " "	<u>1. —</u>
		608.19

<u>498</u>	Schaefer & Koradi " "	6. —
	N. Y. Genealogical Socy " "	2. —
	Chas. Scribners' Sons " "	6. —
	Porter and Coates " "	34. 81
	do " "	5. 43
	Cawson & Nicholson Binding	112. 25
	Deutscher Pioneer " "	2. —
	E. H. Raw & Sons Binding	<u>75. —</u>
		169. 24

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291 Librarian's Salary 3 mos 75.-
 Treasurers " 3 " 25.-
 Assistants " 3 " 50.- 150.-

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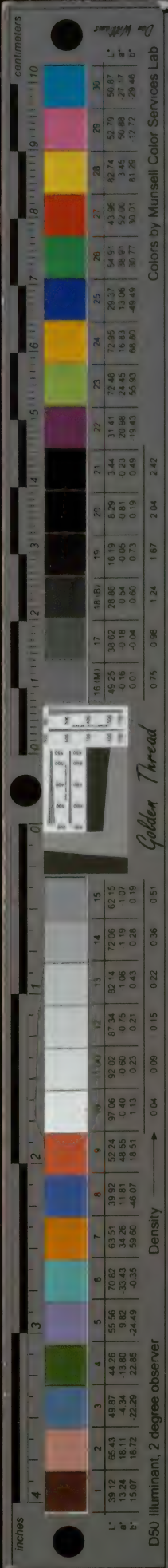
50 Librarian's Salary 1 month 33.33
 Assistant's " 1 " 133.33
 Janitor's " 1 " 50.-
 Watchman's " 15 days 15.- 231.66
 51 Pancoast & Maule, Repairs 90.39
 James Funston Kindling Wood 20.-
 Boiler Inspectors Fees 13.80 124.19
 52 Annuites due 28 ins 2.840.-

The Treasurer further reported the following orders as of this date.

499 Librarian's Salary 1 month 150.-
 Treasurer's " 1 " 16.67
 Assistant's " 1 " 50.- 216.67
 500 J. S. Burrles Catalogue Slips 5.-
 Roberts & Shaw, Cartage 5.-
 J. H. Erickson, Repairs 3.54
 Telephone Co 6 mos Rent 25.- 38.54

Ridgway Branch.

53 Librarian's Salary 1 month 33.33
 Assistant's " 1 " 133.33
 Janitor's " 1 " 50.-
 Watchman's " 1 " 30.- 246.66
 54 Wm. Mc. Carter, Repairs 255.-
 Current Expenses to be accounted for at the end of the year 500.- 755.-



Andrews Latin Dictionary (Harpers)
 Dedication of Sedgwick Statue 2v from D. Van Nostrand Esq.
 Eulogies of Bradenworth & Porter " " " " "
 An. Report of Chief Signal Officer for 1878 from Gen. Myers
 Montgomery (T.C.) Battle of Monmouth " The Author
 Morris (J. Parker) Bib. of works on the)
 Portraits of Shakespeare) " The Author
 Franco-american Commerce " Arpad Haraszthy Esq.
 Le Comte... de Gasparin par Th. Barel. " La Bitesse de Gasparin
 Bost- Protestantisme Liberal " J.P. Leslie Esq.
 Penna. Socy to protect children from Cruelty }
 1st & 2nd Annual reports } " The Society
 24 Pamphlets " Henry Phillips, Jr
 18 " " Various donors

The following presents have been received for the Logan-
 ian Library from Mr John Mc Allister

Geographia antiqua et nova By Du Fresnoy.

George Stanhope's paraphrase

The Phoenix 2nd vol

Regulae Philosophical a M.D. Stahlis

Pomfete Poems

A. S. de Mendoza, historia de Bonaparte.

Monthly Mercury vol 39.

S. Johnson on everlasting punishment

Ogilby's Virgil

Duncan Forbes thoughts on religion

Copy of some notes concerning Gods decrees

F. Burgis. Vade mecum for a surgeon

2nd Geol. Survey of Penna. Vols 16 16 Prv. from the State

23 Vols Newspapers Excerpta from
 Allen on solar light and heat ..

Henry Carey Baird Esq.
 the Author.

Beschreibung des Hallischen Waisenhauses from Wm. J. Polts Esq
 2nd Geol. Survey of Penna. Vols. M, M, P, W. " the State.
 Report of Brit. Assn, for Adv. of Sci, 1879 " " Association
 Harvard College Catalogue, 1879-80 " " College
 Yale " " " " " " "
 Procs: Sov. Grand Lodge. I. O. O. F. " Jas B. Nicholson, Esq.
 7 Pamphlets " Various donors
 Collection of Maps of the War from Chief Engineers U.S.A.

A communication was received on behalf of the
 Athenæum offering to exchange six volumes of the
 National Intelligencer for two duplicate volumes of
 Penna. Gazette no. 1057 7 of Library catalogue
 Referred to the book committee the power
 to act

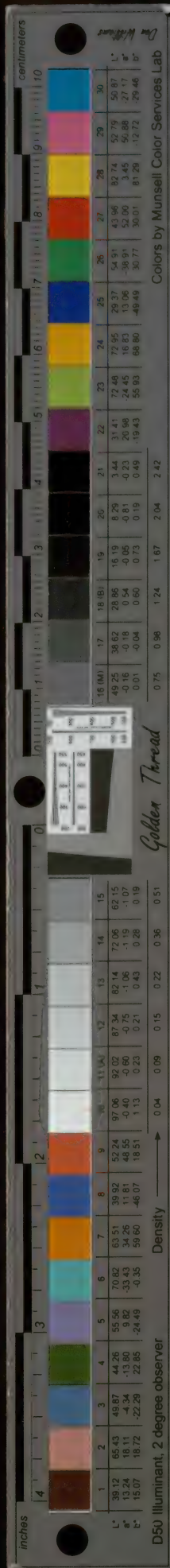
A communication was received from
 Pancoast & Maule offering to put in at Ridway
 Branch a reservoir & return tank for \$125.

Agreed to, with the understanding that the
 verbal undertaking of the writers that the work be
 replaced without charge, if unsatisfactory, be carried
 out by them.

A communication was received from
 Messrs Lawson & Nicholson offering to bind the books
 of the Libraries for the following prices.

In half English colored calf or half Turkey Morocco	
Folios	\$ 2.50
Quartos	\$ 1.50
Octavos	.90
Duodecimos	.65
Novels in half sheep vellum covers	.60
" " " linen	.50

which was agreed to.



On motion it was resolved that the bookcases in the new fire-proof building be furnished with wire doors.

The Board proceeded to the election of a Director to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Henry C. Lea, whereupon Dr. James H. Hutchinson was duly elected.

As the next regular meeting falls upon a legal holiday, Jan. 1, it was resolved that the meeting be held on the following Thursday, Jan. 8.

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors
Jan. 30th 1880.

Present
Mess. Whilling Biddle
McCall Newbold
Wharton Kister
Cramond Hutchinson
and the Treasurer

The minutes of the meeting held Dec. 4 were read and approved.

The Librarian made his monthly report.
The Treasurer reported the following balances in his hands as of this date.

Treasurer's report Jan 8th 1880.

The balance due to the Co: of the Library Co is \$3058.67
Recorder Book Committee for Dec. 141.63

" No. 501 Salaries 216.66

" " 502 Sundries 100.99

459.28
\$2599.39

The cash balance of the Loganian Library is 212.36
The Loganian Library owes the building fund 1200.
And the Library for balance of Book of 18.50
The Bucks Co. Rents due April 1st are net 950.-
Interest on Mortgages - - - - 600.-
1550.-

The cash Balance of the Building Fund is \$4,212.68
and it owns the following securities viz
Certificate No. 3209 U.S. 6² of 1881 1.000
3210 - - - - 1.000
3248 - Currency 6² 1.000
3249 - - - - 1.000
3250 - - - - 1.000
7478 U.S. 4% Bonds 5.000
23577 - - - - 1.000
23578 - - - - 1.000
23579 - - - - 1.000
23580 - - - - 1.000
11.000.-

of which about \$10.000 will have to be sold from time to time to finish the Building on Locust Street.

The cash Balance of the Ridgway Branch is \$1,058.15
Less orders to be drawn to day 265.28
Mr. Lewis estimates that he will hand over during the remainder of the financial Year 4650.
Estimated the orders to be drawn Salaries 741.-
Sundries 600 1341.

Making a probable Balance Apr 25 1880 4101.87
The cash Bal. at the beginning of the financial year 1445.06
Probable Amt. saved during the Year \$2656.81
London Balance £30.33 E.E. Lloyd & Smith, Treas.

The Treasurer reported the following orders to be drawn

Order No. 501	Librarian's salary one month	\$150.
	Treasurer	16.67
	Assistants	50. 1216.67
502	Bell Telephone Attachment &	28.
	Roberts & Shaw, moving books	5.
		1. 25
	Moss & Co, stationery	38.41
	Harry Coffin, repairs	13.30
	James Buist, hardware	15. 031100.99

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Order No. 55	Librarian salary one month	33.33
	Assessments	133.33
	Janitor	50.
	Watchman	31) 247.66
56	Chas. Burnham & Co repairs	6.18
	James Buist hardware	5.45
	Moss & Co stationery	5.45
	Gas bill	10. 541 27.62

The committee of the Ridgway Branch recommend that the salary of B. Samuel be increased to \$300. of which \$200. to be charged to the Ridgway Branch and \$100 to the Logansport Library which motion was agreed to

Mr. Biddle moved that Dr. Hutchinson be appointed on the Finance Committee in the place of Mr. Leach resigned which was agreed to.

A communication from Mr. Henry L. Coates of the firm of Porter & Coates stating the present inability of the Apprentices Library to raise the funds for the purchase of the Philadelphia Library Building at

5th & Library Streets was read thereupon on motion of Mr. Wharton it was Resolved that the Finance Committee and the Committee on Fireproof Building be directed to place in the hands of some respectable real estate broker the library building at the corner of Fifth and Library Streets for sale at a price not less than \$60,000

On motion Miss Elizabeth Mc. Gellan was appointed Assistant Librarian at the Locust Street Library to take charge of the ladies department at a salary of \$400 per annum to begin when she assumes the said duties.

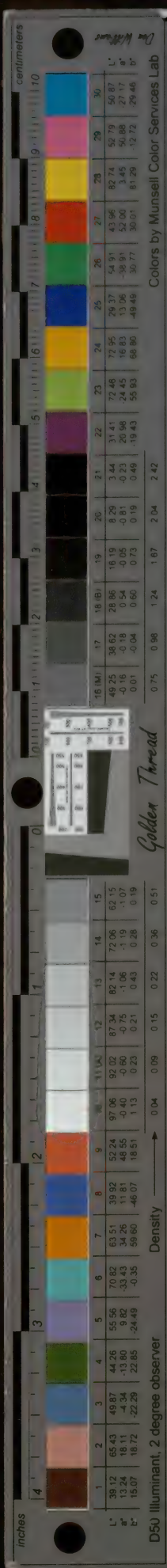
The book Committee reported that they declined to make the exchange of books which had been referred to them, also the exchange requested by the Historical Society.

The Committee on Fireproof building made the following report

To the Directors of the Library Company

The Committee on Fireproof Building respectfully report

That the work on the new Building is progressing satisfactorily, and will it is ^{hoped} be terminated in a month or six weeks. The cause of the delay hitherto, has been the unexpected difficulties which the contractors for the iron work have experienced in the procuring labor and material in the past few months. This contract is now nearly completed, and there is comparatively little left to be done. The heating apparatus is in working order and the book cases will take but a short time to



put up, as the lumber is being rapidly furnished from the mill.

The committee report further that to this date the sum of \$29684.⁷⁰ has been paid out on the order for the construction of the building. From the estimate furnished by Mr. Furness, about \$15,000 more will be needed to finish and equip the building for use. There will be left in the building fund unexpended about \$5,000, besides about \$5,000 more due from the Library.

The Committee beg to recommend for the situation of Janitor, John Smith up to the present time an employe of Pancoast & Maule, and who has high recommendations from them and others, at a salary of \$600. a year. Also as Assistant Librarian to attend to the woman's Apartment of the Library Mrs. Elizabeth R. Mc. Cellan at a salary of \$400 a year. The object intended to be accomplished by the situation of a female assistant is to have her attend exclusively to the wants of those of her sex who desire to read study or take out books. Such assistant will have nothing to do with the male visitors, and thus the principal objections which have been urged against the employment of women in a position for which they are otherwise well fitted will be removed.

Respectfully Submitted
Henry Wharton
for Committee

On motion the report was adopted
The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Montgredien (a) Free Trade & English Commerce from the Golden Age
 Rau (Chas) The Palenque Tablet Author
 Sydney (N.S.W.) Free Public Library Repts 1870-79 Trustees
 2nd An. Rept of Public Lib'y of Milwaukee .. H. Betz Esq. lib.
 1st Johns Hopkins University .. Trustees
 Peabody Institute 13th An. Report .. Institute
 An. Rept Surgeon Gen. U.S.A 1879. .. J. H. Barnes
 Cat. of Alumni University of Penna 1749-1877 .. Hon. H. G. Jones
 Journal of Procs. 63rd Com. Prot. Epis. ch. in Penna .. Jas. S. Middle Esq.
 Craven (M.B) Our Future Destiny .. Author
 Cambria Mining Co Plan of: &c .. R. B. Westbrooke Esq.
 Page (S Davis) Phila. Finances Speech on .. Author
 Renan (E) Vida. Ede Jesus .. H. Phillips Esq.
 Spindler Invalide
 16 Misc. Pamphlets
 Geol. Surv. of Japan Repts of Prog. 1878-9 .. K. S. Glan Esq.
 The following are the gift of the Penna Hist. Socy
 Michigan Debates of Convention 1867. 2 vols.
 " Journal
 " Board of Agriculture Reports 1865-78. 13 vols.
 " Adj. General's Report 1863
 " Registration .. Nos. 5. 6. 7 3 vols.
 " Pomological Society .. 1871-78 8 ..
 " State Agricul. .. Trans 1857-8 2 ..
 " " Board of Health Reports 1873-8 6 ..
 " State Library Catalogue
 " 22 Pamphlets relating to

Wm Henry Rawle
 Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors Feb 7th 1880

Present

Mr McCall
Wharton
Cramond
Biddle
Newbold

Mr
Buckley
Mitchell
Hutchinson
Secy & Treas^r

The minutes of the meeting held Jan 8th were read & approved

The Librarian read his monthly Report

The Treasurer made the following Report

The Balance to the Credit of the Lib^y Co 2865.33
Dep Order No 3 Book Com. 323.97

" 503 Salaries 261.67

" 504 Sundries 139.26

724.90

The Cash Balance of the Log^y Libray 214.36
Dep Order to day No 292 161.03

\$ 53.33

The Cash Balance of the Ridgway Branch 2782.87
Dep Orders to be drawn to day 726.02

\$ 2056.85

The Cash Balance of the Building Fund 4355.05
Add 9000. - M. S. Registered 4's 9450. -

1200. - loaned Log Libray 1200. - 10650. -

\$ 15005.05

The London Balance is

L 30.3.3

The Balance in the hands of

F. W. Christen M. Sak is \$ 78.81

The following Orders were drawn on the Treasurer

No 503 in favor of himself for two hundred and sixty one ⁶⁷/₁₀₀ Dollars to pay

Librarian's Salary for Jan ^y	150.-
Treasurer's " " "	16.67
Assistant's " " "	50.-
Janitor's " " "	<u>45.-</u> 261.67
No 504 Thompson & Co furniture	12.-
Wm. F. Orne " "	3.13
J. K. Collins printing	66.38
L. A. Haven repairs	9.50
Allen L. S. printing	12.25
T. Fawcett carpenter	<u>36.-</u> 139.26

The following Orders were drawn on account
of the Ridgway Branch

No 57 Librarian for January	33.34
Assistant " "	133.33
2" " " "	16.67
Janitor " "	50.-
Watchman " "	<u>28.-</u> 261.34
No 58 Roberts & Shaw moving	13.25
J. Furston Knittingwood	25.-
J. L. Smith maps	8.25
Pa. Paint & Co. Sundries	13.68
Pawson & St. Bridging	<u>4.50</u> 64.68

No 59 for current Expenses 400.-

The Committee on Finance made the
following Report:

It appearing to the Committee that the
authority to transfer 5,000.- U. S. Bonds sold
by the Treasurer on the order of the Finance
Com. of Jan 15 1880 is not in exact
conformity with the requirement of the
Treasury Dep^t, the Finance Committee
recommend the adoption of the following
Resolution:

Resolved, That Lloyd P. Smith Treasurer
be and he is hereby authorized and empowered
to assign certificates No 3209, 3210 M. S.
ls of 1881 for \$1000 - each and certificates
No 3248, 3249, 3250 M. S. currency ls for
\$1000. - each M. S. Registered Stock standing
in the name of the Co

The committee also recommend the adoption
of the following Resolution authorizing the
Sale of the 9000. - of 4 To Bonds belonging
to the Building Fund:

Resolved, That Lloyd P. Smith Treasurer
be and is hereby authorized and empowered
to assign certificates No 7478 M. S. 4 To for
\$5000 - No 23577 M. S. 4 To for \$1,000. - No 23578
M. S. 4 To for \$1,000. - No 23579 M. S. 4 To for 1,000. -
and No 23580 M. S. 4 To for \$1,000. - now
standing in the name of this company.

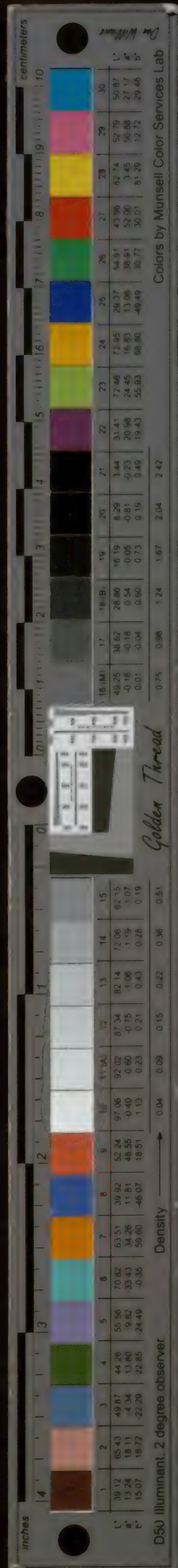
Resolved, that the Sale and transfer
of the M. S. 4 To Bonds named in the
foregoing Resolution be made by the
Treasurer upon the order of the Finance
Committee

On motion the Report was adopted

On motion it was Resolved, That
the matter of cleaning and restoring the
portraits of the benefactors of the Library be
referred to the Com. on the Fire Proof Building

The committee to adjust the accounts
between the Library Co. and the Logansian Lib
reported as follows:

We the committees appointed respectively
by the Directors of the Library Co. and the
Trustees of the Logansian Library to adjust



the accounts between them respectfully

Report, that under the settlement made on the occasion of removing the Loganian Library to the Ridgway Branch, the sum of \$600. - is due yearly by the Loganian Library for Rent and expenses, Payable on the 1st January. This payment for the year 1879 has been made by the Treasurer and the Committee recommend that the formal approval of the Board be given by drawing an Order for \$600. -

The Loganian Library is indebted to the Building Fund in the sum of \$1200. - payable on demand with interest from Oct 2nd 1879. The Bucks & Rents due Apl 1st and 6th interest due at the same time on \$20,000. - Mortgages owned by the Loganian Library will enable that Institution to liquidate this indebtedness at the next Quarterly Meeting of the Trustees.

It has been customary to transfer from time to time some of the costly notes of reference imported by the Library Co to the Loganian Library, of which the Librarian has kept an account, crediting the Loganian Library with such Bills of Exchange as that Institution might pay for and remit to the Company's Agent, Edward C. Allen, London. In this account there is a Balance due the Library Co of \$18.50

Geo D. Briddle } Secy
Jno: S. Brooks } Librarian Co

H. Hammond } Secy
Carpar Weston } Librarian
Loganian Library

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The Committee on a Fire Proof Building reported that the new Building was so nearly finished that the next meeting of the Directors would be held there.

The following Letter was rec^d

2016 Spruce St
Jan^y 10 1880

Lloyd W. Smith Lib
Dear Sir,

The accompanying 70 vol Edition of Doltair's Works Dr Mitchell informed me could be made use of at the Phil Library and requested me to send them to you. I herewith give them unconditionally to the Library to use or dispose of as the Directors may decide best. Very respectfully Yours
Frd^o W. Lewis

On motion of Mr Wharton the Secretary was directed to thank Mr Lewis for his valuable gift

The following Transfers were approved

John Wagner	to	Nicholas Thomson
Ex ^o W. W. Longstreth	"	Wm Longstreth
" Jos. C. Carpenter	"	Rebecca L. Hopkins
" Thomas Balch	"	Elizabeth S. Balch
" Hannah M. Davis	"	Samuel P. Smith
" Wm. R. Miller	"	George Wood

On motion of Capt. Biddle it was resolved that the Secretary be requested to enter on the minutes a suitable record of the fact that the present meeting is the last of the meetings of the Board held in this Building.

The first stone of the edifice at Fifth & Library Sts. was laid on the 31 August 1789

and the books were removed and the building opened on the 30th Dec, 1790. From that time until the year 1849 the meetings of the Board were held in the South room of the second story of the Library Building; since which time the South room of the third story of the Law Building has been set apart for that purpose.

In abandoning forever the scene of so many friendly reunions, which have never been marred by the slightest discord, it was not without a feeling of the seriousness of the occasion and a thought of the many who have formerly met here, but who have been removed by death, that the Board, after ordering thanks to be returned for the following presents, adjourned to meet on the 2^d proximo at the new Building at Spruce and Locust Streets.

Wheeler's Topographical Atlas from Chief Engineer U.S.A.	
Monumentum sepulchrale	" Richard Vaux
Stokely's Map	" Mayor of Phil
12 vols agricultural Reports	" Birn Society
McMillan's Raising of the dead	" R. C. Clark
Nautical Almanac	" Naval Observatory

Wm. Henry Rawle
Secretary

NOTICE.

Those who use the Books of the Philadelphia Library are informed that it will be closed on the 20th instant, to be opened again in the new Building in Locust Street, on the 24th instant.

February, 1880.

BY ORDER.

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At a meeting of the Directors March
4. 1880, at the new Building.

Present

Meprs Willing	Newbold
McCall	Wister
Wharton	Buckley
Cramond	Mitchell
Biddle	Hutchinson

Secretary & Treasurer

The minutes of the meeting held Feb 5th
1880 were read & approved.

The Librarian made the following report.

On the 5th ult the work of removing
the books of the 5th St Library to the new
Building in Locust was begun & con-
tinued with a break of two days, the 20th
& 21st, until the 24th when the Library
was opened to the public.

Mr Abbot, to whom the entire management
of the moving was entrusted, showed great
judgment, efficiency and zeal and he was
ably seconded by the assistants of both
libraries

The number of books upstairs by a rough
count is 36,000 and down stairs about 10,000

We have received two new subscribers since
the new Building was opened, and the
attendance for the 5 days - Feb 24 to Sat
28 was as follows

Members		Visitors		Messengers	Total for 5 days
male	Female	male	Female		
1203	988	966	599	165	= 3921

Daily average 784 +

1298

The daily average for this period being three times that of the old locality. This of course is mainly owing to the novelty of the thing, but there are signs that the usefulness of the Institution will be increased by the change of location.

Edward Barber, who has been employed by the library at the desk, left on the 28th not voluntarily & has been replaced by Jos. Collins, on trial, at \$2.50 a week.

The Ridgway Branch has only been open five days since my last report, during which the average attendance was 44 per day.

Respectfully submitted
Lloyd P. Smith
Lib

The Treasurer made following report

Balance to Cr. <u>Library Co</u> per last Report	2,140.43	
Receipts since	192.10	2,332.53
Less order No 4. Book Committee	136.94	
" 505 Salaries	280. "	
" 506 Sundries	14.50	431.44
Cash Balance		\$ 1,901.09

Balance to Cr. <u>Loganian Library</u> p last Report	53.33	
Receipts since	23.75	77.08

Balance to Cr. <u>Ridgway Branch</u> p last Report	2056.85	
Receipts since	1,100.00	3,156.85
Less order to day wks. Salaries	262.34	
Cash Balance		2,894.51

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The total amt. pd to date on of New Building is 41,540.19
 Cash Balance of Building Fund 4,382.05
 4000 in U.S. 4% @ 106 4,240.00
 Due by Loganian Lib 1200.00 9,822.05
\$ 51,362.24

There is a Balance due Edward G. Allen,
 London £ 3.17. 4
 There is a Balance in F. W. Christern's hands
 of \$ 71.93

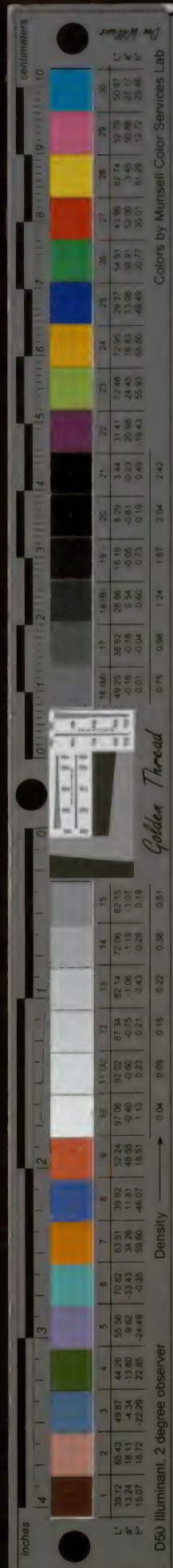
E. E.
 Lloyd P. Smith
 Treasurer

Balance to Cr. Building Fund p. last
 Report 4,355.05
 Less error in addition 1,000.00
3,355.05
 Add proceeds \$5000 in U.S. 4% @ 106.3/8 5318.75 8,673.80
 Less orders of Committee paid 4291.75
Cash Balance as above \$ 4,382.05

which on motion was approved

The Executive Committee submitted the following
 report to them of the Librarian which they
 had approved

Mr George M. Abbot, my first
 assistant, has shown so much executive
 ability while acting as Assistant in charge
 of the Ridgway Branch, that I entrusted
 him with the entire responsibility of moving
 and arranging the books at the new Building:



and at the suggestion of Mr Wharton, Chairman of the Building Committee I have made him Assistant in charge of the Locust St Building, and I have taken the Ridgway Branch myself. Since the opening of the new Building I have given daily attendance from 10 to 11 o'clock in Locust St, particularly to attend to the business of the Treasurer, and from 11 to 5 at the Ridgway Branch. Mr Samuel is quite proper to be trusted there in my absence.

I ask the approval of the Executive Committee to this arrangement, which is, I think in more ways than one, for the interest of the Co.

Respectfully Submitted

Lloyd P. Smith

Librarian & Treasurer

Oct 4. 1880.

On motion the report was approved. The Book Committee submitted the following report to them of the Librarian.

The Bills for February for Books Binding and stationery amount to 136.94 as shown in detail in the accompanying vouchers for Order No 4. N. S.

The Cash Balance of the Library Co, after paying the orders to be drawn to day is \$ 1,901.09 all of which is available for the purchase of books.

The Balance due our London agent is £ 3.17. 4 I suggest a remittance of say £ 100.00

The Balance in F. W. Christer's hands is 71.93

Mr Charles G. Leland recommends Mr Trübner of London as a desirable Agent for the purchase of Continental books. Respectfully submitted

Lloyd P. Smith, Librarian Jan 4 1881

No action was taken as to the remittance to London or the recommendation of Mr Trübner - the remainder of the report was approved.

The Committee on Ridgway Branch submitted the following report to them of the Librarian of the Ridgway Library.

Mr Alexander Biddle offers \$600.00 for the set of Gobelin tapestry furniture in the Directors Room, consisting of three sofas and twenty four chairs. They were appraised for the Executors at \$500.00 and recently by Mr Fryer at about \$400.00.

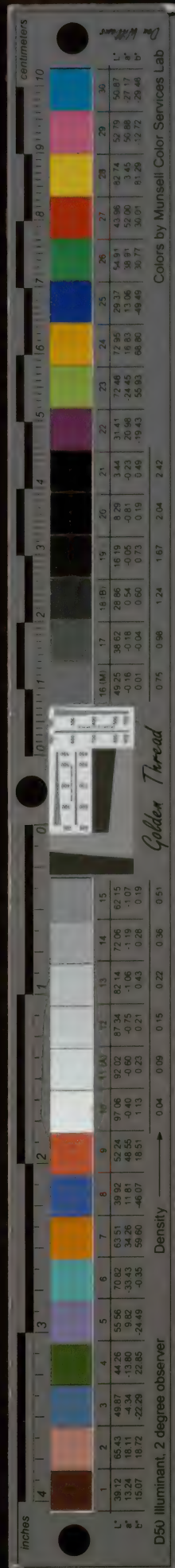
He also offers \$200.00 for the chairs in the Memorial Room. I recommend the sale of the Gobelin set only.

I enclose the usual monthly order for salaries amounting to \$212.34. When this is paid, it will leave a cash balance of \$2,894.51.

Edward McGrath, Janitor petitions to have his gas and coal bills paid by the Co as will be done for the Janitor of the Locust St Building. McGrath has done a good deal of extra work of evenings &c which has saved the Co far more than this & I recommend that his petition be granted.

I enclose a plan and estimate for a bronze shield to go on one of the granite posts at each gate of the Ridgway Branch.

The grounds at Broad & Christian Streets need immediate attention. I have rec'd an estimate of \$88.40 from a responsible



man named Ballantyne for
 Furnishing 50 plants,
 2 Bushels of grass seed
 2 Loads of rich soil to fill up holes.
 12 " " red gravel

Also for picking the weeds and rolling
 the grass length ways and cross ways
 over the whole grounds

Cutting the grass once over the whole square
 Setting out plants and putting the beds in order
 I consider the estimate a reasonable one.

Ballantyne offers to keep the grounds in proper
 order during the season at \$6.00 a week
 I consider it poor economy to keep McGraith
 at cutting grass while there are other things
 for him to do which require a skilled mechanic
 For instance, after the fires are out he will
 have the following work to do which we should
 otherwise have to hire.

1. To paint the area railing and the railing
 round the windows and doors. This would
 cost about \$55.00

2. To varnish all the window sash - 3 coats.

This would cost say \$180.00, while by setting
 the Janitor at it the only cost would be
 that of the varnish, say \$18.00

3. To finish 17 Step ladders now in hand which
 to order would cost 13.50 each say \$229.50;
 the material costs \$20.00 in all.

4. To make 2 Trucks for the Locust St Library
 at a cost of \$50.00 which to order would
 cost \$138.00.

Also several minor jobs repairing

chains &c.

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Respectfully Submitted
Lloyd P. Smith
Librarian

Mar 4th 1880.

P. S. The present watchman get only \$1.00 a night instead of \$1.25 a saving of \$1.25 a year.

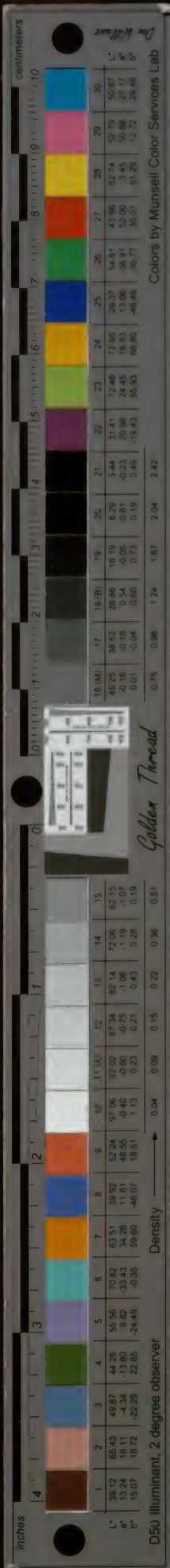
The two scrubbers now get 6.00 instead of 7.50 a week a saving of \$8.50 a year.

On motion it was resolved that Mr Biddle's offer of \$800.00 for the articles referred to be accepted, the said amount to be carried to the account of capital.

The remainder of the report was, on motion recommitted to the Committee on Ridgway Branch with power to act.

The Building Committee reported that they were not yet prepared to make their final report as to the cost of the new fire proof building.

Mr Wharton moved that if a larger price for the same cannot be obtained, Mr S. Kingston M'Kay the real estate agent of the Company be authorized to sell the Library Building at 5th & Library Street for the sum of \$50,000, of which a sum not exceeding \$35,000 be allowed to remain on mortgage at five per cent interest.



On motion it was resolved that if sufficient authority do not now exist for the same, the Chairman be authorized to call a special meeting of the members of the Company to authorize & confirm said sale.

The Secretary reported that on the 1st inst the Supreme Court affirmed the decree of the Court of Common Pleas No 1 in the case of Robert Manners & The Library Co which had dismissed the plaintiffs bill.

On motion of Capt Biddle it was ordered that until further notice the Library be opened at 8.30 A.M. and not close until 6 P.M.

The Building Committee submitted an offer from Mr Shaw, who had charge of moving the books from the old building, of forty dollars for the shelving therein (not including case doors) & on motion of Dr Mitchell it was resolved that if a better price could not be obtained, the offer be accepted.

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

No 505 Librarian for February	150.00	
Treasurer "	16.67	
B. F. Owen "	50.00	
J. Smith, Janitor "	55.00	
Miss McClellan "	8.33	280.00

No 506. Cha Williams Sons repairs 13.00
 W Morris, Bal Painting 1.50 14.50

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No 60. Librarian's Salary for Feb 33.34
 G M Abbot " " " 133.33
 B Samuel " " " 16.67
 Janitor " " " 50.00
 Watchman " " " 29.00 262.34

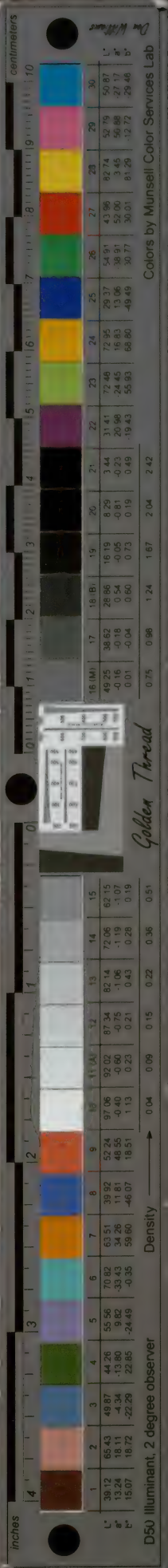
The following transfers were approved
 Estate of Jno M Allister, dec To Miss Jessie M. Grant
 " " Mary Anna Rawle " Richard M. Cadwalader
 " " Horatio C. Wood " Trustee, to Edward Maris,
 Trustee for Contrib^s to the Friend.

The following presents were received for which
 the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

List of presents to the Phil^a Library and

Ridgway Branch

Official Army Register Gift of the Army of War
 Berkeley's Cryptogamic botany " R C Clark, Esq
 Sixteen Savours or One " "
 World of Prayer " "
 Evenings with the doctrines " "
 Goutney By Edward Dowden " "
 Barvy's Fruit Garden " "
 Curwen's Hist. of Booksellers " "
 Small fruit culturist " "
 Smithsonian Ins. Journals " Institution
 Report Director of the Mint " Sec Treasury
 Report Hospital Prot. Epic Church " Jas S. Bidelle
 Journal " " "
 Memoires de la Societe Royale " Dr J. M. Hays



2 Catalogues of Books, Phil. Lib. 1770, 89. Gift of John Jones, £
 " des livres rares Comte de Beaugue
 Report Chief of Ordnance 1879. Gift of Sec War
 Russian French Dictionary " " J. W. Hauff
 Henry on the Telegraph " " Wm B. Taylor
 Sign language N.A. Indians " " Colly. Mallory
 Cause of colour among races " " Wm Sharpe M.D.
 Humanity & the man " " "
 The Conqueror's dream " " "
 Ohio Reports, 1876 to 80, 24 vols " Penn. Hist. Socy
 Regents Report N.Y. University " " " "
 Boston water controversy " " " "
 " Report School commit. 1869. " " " "
 " " prison dis. socy 1826-35. " " " "
 " Sanitary condition of 1875. " " " "
 " Municipal register 1864. " " " "
 Maps, Reports registration &c 5 vols " " " "
 Mayor of Boston address 1865 " " " "
 Vermont Journals & Legis. Docs 16 vols " " " "
 N.Y. Manual of Education 1861. " " " "
 Wisconsin Leg. manual 1870-77. " " " "
 " School report 1858-59 " " " "
 Michigan registration reports, 4 vols " " " "
 Proceedings R.W. Grand Lodge Kentucky 1853 to 1879 J. W. Allister
 " Grand Encampment " " " "

On motion, adjourned

Wm Henry Rawls
 Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors April 15 1880

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Present

Mr Willing

McCall

Wharton

Cramond

Biddle

Leibold

Wister

Buckley

Johnson

+ Treasurer

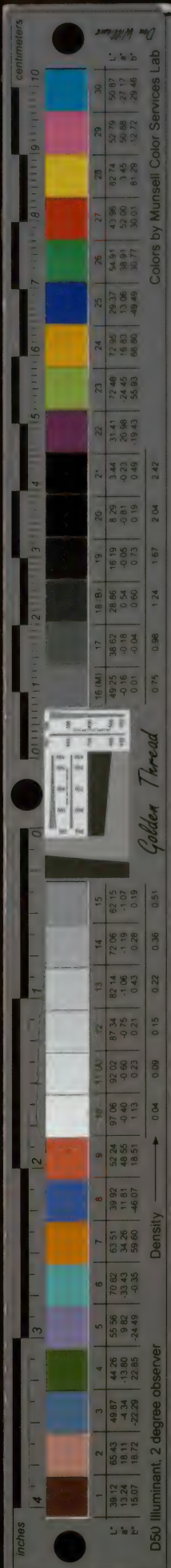
The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved with the addition that the meeting in March was the first in the new Building N. E. corner of Janney & Locust Streets.

The Librarian made the following Report:

In accordance with the action of the Board at the last meeting I endeavored in vain to obtain a better offer for the shelving at the 5th St. Library & sold it to Mr Shaw for \$45. but afterwards bought the greater part of it back for \$35. —, under the instructions of the Building Committee, in order that nothing might interfere with the lease of the Building. Such of the shelving as is not wanted by the Lessee can be used to advantage at a future time at the Ridgway Branch, and I recommend that in the mean time it be stored in the cellar of that Building.

The sale of the chairs to Mr Alex. Biddle has been concluded and the money \$800. — paid.

The total number of visitors at the Ridgway Branch in March was 793.



Books read in the Building 615; given out 161; sent to the Locust St Library for use 17. Total 793

In accordance with the instructions of the Board the Library has been open during March from 8 1/2 to 6 o'clock. The average number of visitors between 8 1/2 and 9 o'clock has been 1 1/2 per day; but between 5 & 6 o'clock the attendance is considerable. I recommend that during the summer months the hours be from 4 to 6.

The total number of visitors to the new building in March was 10256, being an average of 394 per day; viz

Members	male	3403	
	female	<u>2723</u>	6126

Visitors	male	2447	
	female	<u>910</u>	3357

Meppengers		<u>773</u>	10,256
No of books taken out	3333	average	128 per day

The Historical Society of Pa requests that the Library Co will deposit with them their incomplete duplicate set of the American Weekly Mercury in 5 vols in exchange for a complete set of the Pa Chronicle vols, 4 of which we have not. If this exchange is effected it will make our collection of Phila. newspapers of the last century nearly or quite complete.

The total no. of yearly subscribers this year is 14. Last year 3.

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The Librarian was instructed to sell the shelving in the old Library building.

The question of making the exchange with the Historical Socy was referred to the Trustees of the Loganian Liby: and no action was taken on the other matters in the Report.

The Treasurer made the following Report:

Balance to Librarian's last Report	1901.09
Receipts since	256.00
	<u>2157.09</u>

Dep Orders today	648.75
" Bank Com.	237.68
	<u>886.43</u>

Leaving a cash Balance of 1270.66

The cash Balance Loganian is 77.08 No change since last Report.

Ground rents & Interest due this day	1559.00
Balance to Ridgway Branch for last Report	2894.51

Recd from A. Fiddle	800.00
	<u>3694.51</u>

Dep Orders to be drawn today	2707.43
	<u>987.08</u>

Add Proceeds Rush on the rice	63.75
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Leaving a cash Balance of 1050.83

Net Rents recd for Year 11600.00

To be recd - about	1300.00
	<u>12900.00</u>

1 1/2 Year's Rent Loganian Liby	900.00
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Miscellaneous receipts	182.37
	<u>13982.37</u>

Recd from A. Fiddle	800.00
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Balance from last Year	1445.06
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	<u>16227.43</u>
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which has been expended as follows:

Fitting up Building & grounds	347.31	
Annuities	5,680. -	
Books & Binding	212.25	
Salaries & wages	3,423.88	
Repairs	529.07	
Water & Gas	314.86	
Coal	311. -	
Incidentals	<u>959.63</u>	5,538.44
Legal Expenses		<u>2,098.60</u>
Probable Balance to new Year		<u>2,350.83</u>
The Cash Balance of the Building Fund of last Report was		4,382.05
Receipts since		<u>4,393. -</u>
Less orders paid to date		<u>7,144.68</u>
Leaving a Cash Balance of		<u>1,630.37</u>
There is a Balance due Edward G. Allen London of £ 21.19.4.		

On motion the Treasurer was authorized to borrow \$1,000 - from the Ridgway Branch on behalf of the Building Fund

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch made a Report stating that certain repairs were needed in the Janitor's house which on motion they were authorized to have made. They also recommended the passage of the following Resolution, which was agreed to: with power to act.

Resolved, That the Committee on the Ridgway Branch be authorized to alter the lower part of House No 1202 Calhoun St so as to adapt it for a store, the cost of such alteration to be paid out of the income of the estate, or by the Tenant on an

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improving lease, as the committee shall think best.

The committee called the attention of the Board to the provision on p. 7 of Dr. Rush's will requiring the Library Co. "after paying all necessary taxes, charges and expenses incident to the said property & set aside annually ten per cent of the clear net income to form a contingent fund to be invested, and the interest added to the principal &c."

On motion the question of what constitutes the net income described in this clause of Dr. Rush's will was referred to the committee on the Ridgway Ranch.

The joint committee on the sale of the Fifth St. property reported that the American News Co. had offered to lease the property for ten years at \$4,000. a year, all alterations and repairs to be made by the Lessee. On motion the proposition was accepted and the committee was authorized to have the necessary papers executed on behalf of the Co.

A letter was rec^d from J. R. Lambdin offering for sale a portrait of Dr. Franklin, which was declined, the price being \$200.—

On motion the Treasurer was authorized to vote at the annual elections of the Phila. Contributionship on behalf of the Library Co.

Messrs. Wharton & ~~Frederick~~ ~~W. H. Ester~~ were appointed a committee to examine

The accounts of the Treasurer & Librarian
The following transfers were approved

Henry Bentley to Mrs Frances E. Markoe
Chas Henry Hart " Wm Henry Trotter
John Wright " Elizabeth S. English
Wm W Gerhard's Et " Miss Louisa Gerhard

The following presents were received for
which the Librarian was directed to thank
the donors

Bampton lectures 1878. Gift of R. C. Clark Esq
Military Religious Orders " " " " "
Mauliners of Christ " " " " "
Memoirs of R. C. " " " " "
" Prince Metternich Esq. " Wm Henry Rawle, Esq
Scandinavian Races " Jas W M Callister "
Report Board of Health Nashville. Gift of the Board
Surgery in the Penna Hospital " " " Managers
Catalogue. Liby Seminary M^{rs} Mary " " Jas W Callister, Esq
Report. Auditor of Ohio. " " Ex Auditor
" City Controller Phil " " the Controller
New Zealand. Treaty of Waitangi " " Govt of N. Zealand
Nemesi's. " H. Phillips Jr Esq
Der Letzte Bombardier " " "
Im Calfenster " " "

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer
No 507. Librarian for February 150.00

Treasurer "	"	16.67	
B. F. Owen "	"	50.00	
J. Smith, Auditor "	"	50.00	
E. McCallum "	"	33.33	300.00

No 508. Water rent for 1880 59.
Clucter & Steel Coal for 544 38.50
G.B. Newton & Co. " Locust 136.75
Bell Telephone Co. Repairs 5.
Charles Moyer " 8.75
Pa. Co for Ins. & ins., Rent 5.
Jas S. Burr & Co. Stationery 20. 273.

No 509. C.S. Furson Furniture 19.
Tynedale & Mitchell " 13.50
George W. Russell " 43.25
Wm W. Smith " 16. 91.75

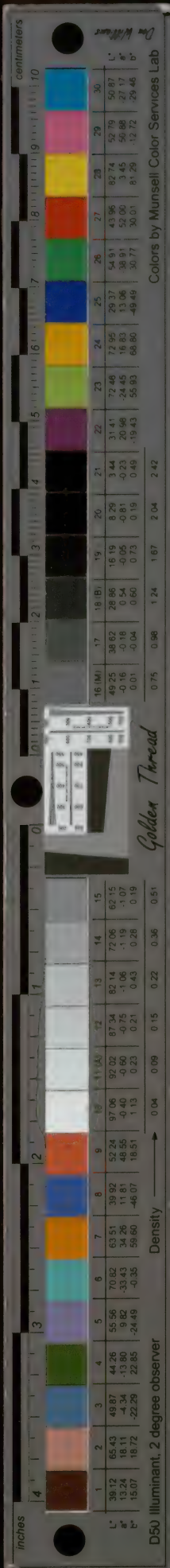
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No 61. Librarian for March 33.33
G.M. Abbot " " 133.33
B. Samuel " " 16.67
Janitor " " 50.
Watchman " " 31. 264.33

No 62. Water Rent for 1880. 137.
Paucaast & Maule. Repairs 157.
Wm. Sallade " 20.50
Lindsay & Baker. Book 30. 344.50

No 63 Al Murtne & Rawle Counsel fees 2000.
Allen Lane & Scott. printing 98.60. 2098.60

Lloyd P. Smith
Secretary pro tem.



At a meeting of the Directors Apr 29th 1880
Present

Messrs Hare
Cramond
Biddle
Wister
Buckley
Hutchinson

and Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer was read
Treasurers Report

I have been informally notified by Prof. Frazer that his uncle the late Persifor Frazer has left the library the sum of \$1,000. The Executors are the Pa Co for Insurance on Lives.

I believe the Phil^a Trust Co. are the Executors of the will of the late Paymaster King of the Navy who has left this Company his private library of about 1000 vols, including that of the late Judge King. The will, however, is disputed by the widow.

There are three or four other persons, still living from whom the Library Co has reason to expect legacies either of books or money or both.

The Yearly accounts, which have been examined today and found correct show the following results:

The Balance to the Credit of the Library Co on deposit in the Pa. Co. for Ins. on lives is

1,707.60

The Balance to the L^r of the Loganian
Library is

44.59

The Balance to the credit of the
Building Fund, on deposit in The
Pa. Co. for Ins on lives is

2,220.10

There are Outstanding Orders not
yet presented

3,405.41

Which will leave a deficiency in
this account of

1,185.31

for which an order can be
drawn on the funds of the
Library Co: in accordance with
the Report of the Finance Committee

The Balance to the credit of the
Ridgway Branch, on deposit in the
Phil. Trust is

2,558.22

The Balance at the beginning of the
financial year was

1,445.06

The Income of the Endowment was

13,120.57

The Current Expenses were

5,538.44

Annuities

5,680.

11,218.44

Showing a saving of

1,902.13

The Balance to the debit of the Librarian

in ac current with the Ridgway Branch

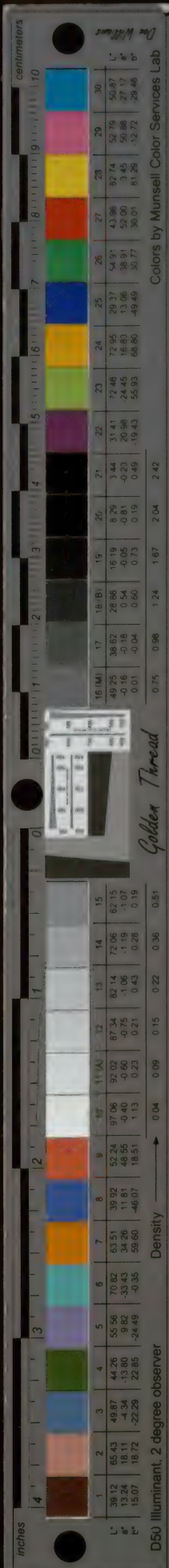
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The Balance to the credit of the Librarian

in ac current with the Librarian is

157.90

I was in hopes that in the course
of moving the missing mortgages belonging
to the Loganian Library would turn up; but
they have not done so. An Application
was made recently by Mr Harvey for
a reduction of the Interest on one of
them to 5%, with a threat to pay off
the principal. I told him the original



mortgage was mislaid, and he said he would be satisfied if we entered satisfaction on the Record & gave him an engagement under the Seal of the Co. to return the original paper in case it should turn up.

Mr Kingston McCay has presented a bill for \$400. - Commission for renting the property at 5th & Library St.

It is not usual to draw Orders at this meeting, called to wind up the business of the Year, but I should like to have the instructions of the Board, whether or not to draw an order for this amt. at the next meeting.

I suggest that it would, perhaps be a convenience to the Book Committee and simplify their calculations if the Board should, at the next meeting, appropriate a specific sum for books and binding for the coming year.

There is a Balance due our London agent of £21. 19. 4

in Mr Christian's hands of \$ 7. 18

"The Librarian" submitted the following Report

In Dr Rush's private library I find a collection which is perhaps unique, made by his father, Benjamin Rush of Medical Theses. They are about 600 in number, mostly inaugural essays submitted on applying for the degree of Doctor of Medicine at the Penna. University and at Edinburgh, extending from 1750 to 1820.

They have some value in a medical point of view, but their chief interest will be as illustrations of family history.

In other departments such as antiquities architecture and music. Dr Rush's

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Library is a substantial addition to our own collection, and it contains very little trash.

The total number of visitors at the Ridgway Branch in April was 1227 - books used 725.

A comparison of the statistics of the first four months of 1880 with those of 1879 shows an increase of 50% in the number of visitors and 100% in the daily average of readers in the building.

The total number of visitors during the year ending 26 April was 8091. Total of books used 6318.

Miss M. W. Merrill, Artist 1120 Gerard St requests the privilege of making a copy of our portrait of Franklin, in the building.

At a recent sale of the Phillips Library we purchased books to the amount of \$72.45 including a number of rare Confederate documents; two pamphlets, neither of which we had, and one of them excessively rare, by James Logan; and 32 vols of Adjutant General's Reports of particular States during the war, supplementing our already good collection of these important documents.

The total number of persons using the Library during the past year is as follows:

Members Male 36,620

Female 14,563 51,183

Visitors Male 17,456

Female 3,345 20,801

Messengers 5,447

Total 77,431

During the past month the average attendance has been 210 per day

Yesterday a sign was put up at each entrance of the Ridgway Branch as follows:
Ridgway Branch of the Phil^a Library.
1731-1869. Open to the Public.

Mr Wharton was appointed a Committee to prepare a Report for the Annual Meeting
Judge Sharswood was chosen to preside at the meeting, with Dr Willing as an alternate.

The Committee on accounts reported that they had Examined the Librarian's & Treasurers accounts & found the same correct.

The following presents were received and the Librarian instructed to return thanks for the same.

Cat. Library Chatsworth Gift of Duke of Devonshire
Penna. Bd of Charities " " the Board
Practical Ceramics, Janine " " " Author
Pict^{as} Cincinnati. Pub. July 503 " " Librarian
Paris Ex^h 1878. Catalogue " " Commission
Naval Register 1880. " " Department
Frothingham's Sermons. 6 vols Alex Fullerton, Esq
Cradle of Christ " "
Am: Phar: Abs^{ns} " of the Association
Collecção dos tratados.

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Decouvertes des Français dans l'Amérique
Passion of our Lord. Gift of R. C. Clark Esq.

Hayden Smith
Secretary

May 3^d 1880.

At the Annual meeting of the Members of this Company held this day at 3 o'clock P.M. in the Library Building Mr Charles Willing was called to the Chair, and the Secretary of the Company acted as Secretary.

The Secretary read to the Meeting the Report of the Directors Report.

To the Members of the Library Company of Philadelphia.

The Directors of the Company respectfully present the following Report.

The present Library Building was opened for use on the 24th of February last. It took less than a year to build, including the removal of the old houses on the lot of ground. The total cost of its erection, its furnishing, its fitting up, of the shelving and of the moving of the books, in fact of all that was necessary to put it in complete working order, and not only of these but of the laying out of the grounds, and then the external outlay

on what pertained merely to ornament or decoration, not specially needed for Library purposes, has been about \$53,000, leaving \$2,000 or \$3,000 of the building fund unexpended. As the Building itself is fire proof, which added considerably to the expense of construction; - as the best artistic taste and the most skilful artisans have been employed in making it sightly as well as useful, - as the arrangement of the interior for its special purpose is not surpassed, if equalled in convenience and fitness, by any other Library in this Country - it is generally conceded that no similar building has ever been erected in this city with greater economy, nor, as will be seen from what has been above stated, in less time.

It has been the aim of the Directors both in the plan of the Library, and in the details of its working, to introduce and perfect such improvements as will render it more decisively what it was in its origin and traditions, an active and living institution; one of which Philadelphians may be proud, as they are of the fame of the founder. While every facility in the use of the books is given to the Members, our duty to the public, which an exemption from taxation enforces, forbids the limitation of its usefulness to those who constitute the corporation itself. Hence the door of the Library are open to all respectable persons who desire to consult its collections within its walls, or to take out books, on terms which prescribe

no unfair discrimination.

That the change of situation, and the knowledge that the public has gained of the really liberal spirit of our by-laws, have already produced a positive result, will be seen from the following statistics.

During the whole of the past year ending May 1, 1880, the number of persons visiting or using the Library has been

77,825

An account of the number of books taken out was only begun in October last. From that date to May 1, that number was

14,091

Now, distributing these figures into two separate periods, one, while the Library still remained on 5th Street, and the other since its removal here, the account stands thus:

Attendance and service at the Old building from May 1, 1879, to Feb'y 19, 1880.

Members

Males 29,903

Females 9,292

39,195

Messengers for Members

4,063

Visitors

Males 12,803

Females 1,353

14,156

57,414

No of days, open 245
 daily average 233.1

Books taken out from October 1, 1879
 to Feby. 19, 1880. 11,074
 daily average 94.6

Attendance and service at the New
Building from February 24 to April 30
 1880.

Members

Males 6859
 Females 5377 12,236
 Messengers for Members 1,410

Visitors

Males 4,743
 Females 2,022 6,765
 20,411

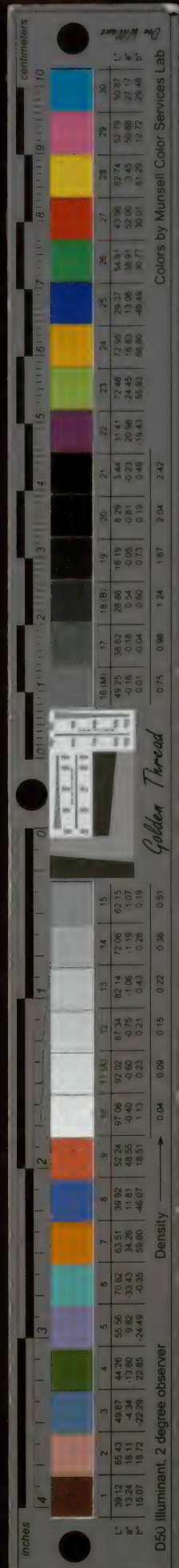
No of days open 56
 Daily average of visitors 364.4
 An increase of 49 per cent
 Number of books taken out in the same
 period 6841
 Daily average 122.1
 An increase of 30 per cent.

The greater ratio of increase in the number
 of visitors over that of the books taken out
 is doubtless due, to some extent, to mere
 curiosity; but the latter may be taken
 as permanent.

These figures need no comment further
 than to say that the expectations expressed

by the Directors in their last annual Report have been fully justified.

The Directors are much gratified to be able to report with regard to their old building, that they have disposed of it for the present on very satisfactory terms. Negotiations had been pending during the past summer and fall, for its sale to the Apprentices Library Company, for a price which was fixed at \$50,000. These negotiations fell through, not from any unwillingness on the part of the Managers of the Apprentices Library, but from their inability to raise the necessary funds. After the removal to the present building, the old one was offered for sale. One or two inquiries were made by possible purchasers, but the only serious one was by the American News Company, an important publishing corporation, having its principal establishments in New York and Chicago, and with a very large capital. This Company manifested at first an inclination to purchase, and then substituted an offer to lease the building, for ten years, at a rent of \$4000, which was accepted and the lease has been executed. They proposed and have begun alterations of the property costing a very considerable sum of money, which will add, in any event, greatly to its value. The advantage of this arrangement, apart



from the improvement in the property, is that the Library Company will secure the almost certain increase of value of the ground at the end of the lease, with a net rent in the meantime of \$3000, this being more than could be produced by the investment of \$50,000. its full present value.

It will not be improper to mention in this connection, a fact only discovered in the course of the present alterations, which discloses a peril in our former occupation of the old building, which had been unknown, and which shows that the removal was not an hour too soon. Some years ago, in order to give greater light to the main hall, the centre of the second story was cut open in a square which will be remembered by all. Whether from original defect of construction or from the shrinkage of the timber it has been found that the ends of the joists on the Fifth Street side, in front of the Building, and of the corresponding joists on the opposite side of the opening, had slipped from their sockets, at each end and were only supported by the nails in the floor boards. In fact nothing sustained the flooring on these sides except its own adhesion, and these nails. Any sudden displacement of weight, or shock perhaps of a trifling character, might have sent the flooring down, and probably with it, part of the walls. Serious injury to the property and perhaps loss of life

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might have been thereby occasioned.

The financial affairs of the Library Company itself continue in a prosperous condition. Notwithstanding the unusual outlay of the first year incident to the removal and the consequent reorganization of the Library, the income has not fallen short of the expenses. The Company has just been informed of a bequest under the Will of the late Mr. Persifor Frazer, of \$1000. A bequest was also made by the late Dr. King of the large and valuable library of the late Hon. Edward King to which he had succeeded. The will of Dr. King, however, being now the subject of litigation, it is not possible at present to say whether eventually the Company will derive any benefit under it. The addition of the rent of the old building to the resources of the Company will add largely to the usefulness of the Library, in the purchase of books and in facilitating its operations.

The Directors have thought it not inexpedient to spend a comparatively small sum in laying out the grounds attached to the Building, in grass and flowers, in such a manner as to make it an attractive and agreeable spectacle to the eyes of the public, especially those who from poverty or otherwise are unable to use its collections of books. In a large city where there are so many who never have a chance

to escape from the heat and weariness of summer, those who possess large open spaces of ground, should not grudge the trifling expenditure necessary to make them a pleasure instead of an offence. And most of all is it due from us to whom the public has been so generous

The cost of books and binding this year at the Library amounts to \$4198.73

Salaries and expenses ordinary and exceptional to 5235.89

The number of books purchased has been 1394

The affairs of the Ridgway Branch are not yet in such condition as they were hoped to be. They have, however, sensibly improved. It is expected that with the gradual advance of rents, from which its revenue is almost exclusively derived, the Directors may be able next year to make a better report.

All of which is respectfully submitted

By Order of the Board,
Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary

Upon motion the Report was unanimously approved and the meeting adjourned to hold the annual election for twelve directors & a Treasurer

At a special meeting of the Directors
May 7 - 1880.

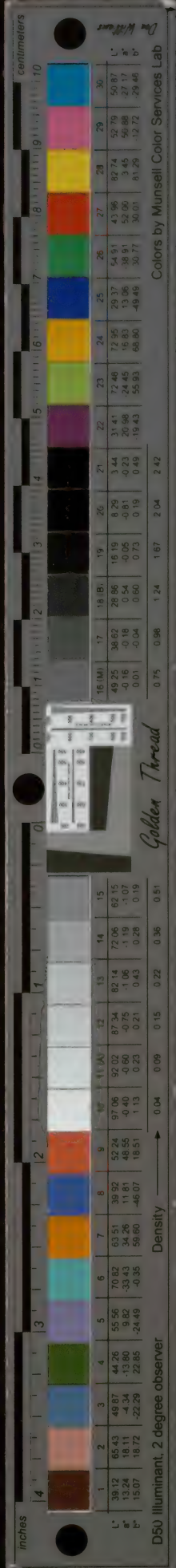
Present Messrs Willing Mister
Wharton Buckley
Cramond Hutchinson
Biddle
Secretary and Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were
read and approved

The Secretary read the return of the
Election for Directors & Treasurer as follows

At an Election held at the Library
on Monday the third (3^d) day of
May 1880, for a choice of Twelve
Directors and a Treasurer of the
Library Company of Philadelphia,
the following persons attended in person
or by proxy to give their votes

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|----|------------------------------|----|----------------------------|
| 1 | D ^r Chas J Stillé | 11 | W Heatley Dulles |
| 2 | Lloyd P. Smith | 12 | Henry Cramond |
| 3 | Geo M Abbot | 13 | Wm W Ross |
| 4 | Wm J. Smith | 14 | Wm L. M ^r Faden |
| 5 | JMP Wallace | 15 | Benj R. Smith |
| 6 | Wm Henry Rawle | 16 | J W Rodney |
| 7 | S. Kingston McLean | 17 | Jno W. Bleight |
| 8 | Johnson's Est (MR) | 18 | Robert P. Morton |
| 9 | J. Newson Bache | 19 | Cadwalada Biddle |
| 10 | Chas M ^r Crea | 20 | James S. Biddle |



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|------------------------|----------------------|
| 21 Henry Wharton | 27 Saml Wilcox |
| 22 J. R. M. Elroy | 28 Robert Briggs |
| 23 Edward Law | 29 Jas H. Hutchinson |
| 24 Alfred Woodward | 30 Emilen Cresson |
| 25 Hendric Gates Jones | 31 J. J. Levick |
| 26 Edward Hopper | |

Directors

- | | |
|---------------------|------------------|
| Charles Willing | Thirty One votes |
| David Lewis | Thirty One votes |
| J. J. Clark Hare | Thirty One votes |
| Peter McCall | Thirty One votes |
| Henry Wharton | Thirty One votes |
| Henry Gramond | Thirty one votes |
| James S. Biddle | Thirty one votes |
| John S. Newbold | Thirty one votes |
| Caspar Wister | Thirty One votes |
| Edward S. Buckley | Thirty One votes |
| S. Weir Mitchell | Thirty One votes |
| James H. Hutchinson | Thirty One votes |

Treasurer

- | | |
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| Lloyd P. Smith | Thirty One votes |
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We the subscribers testify that the above is a true state of the Election of Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia, held on Monday the third day of May 1880, agreeably to the Charter and Laws of the said Company, and that Charles Willing, David Lewis, J. J. Clark Hare, Peter McCall, Henry Wharton, Henry Gramond, James S. Biddle, John S. Newbold, Caspar Wister, Edward S. Buckley, S. Weir Mitchell and James H. Hutchinson, were

duly elected Directors and Lloyd P. Smith
Treasurer of the said Company for the
ensuing year.

Attest

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary

John Duval Rodney
Benjamin R. Smith
Judges

William Henry Rawle was re-elected
Secretary

The following standing Committees
were appointed by the Board

Committee on Finance

Mesrs Biddle, Newbold and
Hutchinson.

Book Committee

Mesrs Willing, Hare, Wharton, Cramond
and Wister.

Committee on Ridgway Branch

Mesrs McCall, Buckley and Mitchell

The present temporary Committee
on Fire Proof Building, Mesrs Wharton,
Biddle, Newbold & Buckley was
continued

The Librarian and Treasurer made their
reports

Treasurers Report

May 11th 1880.

The Balance on hand of the Library Co
 per Report of Committee Apr 29 was 1,707.68
 Deduct since paid Building fund 557.51
 Outstanding Orders 641.11 1,198.62 509.06
 Received since Yearly payments 5,888.04
 Rents Law Building 87.50 5975.54
 Less orders to be drawn to day 3041.65 6,484.60
 Order No 6. Book Committee 360.44 3,402.39
3,082.21

Receipts of Logansian Library in May
 235.01

Left balance due Treasurer per
 Report of Committee Apr 29 44.59 190.42
 Less Order No 294 to day 175.00
 Leaving a Cash Balance of \$ 15.42

The Balance on hand of the Building
 Fund Apr 29 per Report of Committee 2220.10
 Orders paid since 2777.61
 Deficiency paid by Library Co 557.51
 Add Outstanding Orders No 80, 83, 88, 91. 641.11
 Total deficiency \$ 1198.62

The Cash Balance of the Ridgway
 Branch p Report of Committee 29th Dec 2,558.22
 Receipts since 1,600.00
4,158.22
 Less orders to be drawn to day 3,210.53
 Leaving a Cash Balance of \$ 947.69

There is a Balance due Edward G. Allen
 London £ 21. 19. 4
 Balance in the hands of J. W. Christern \$ 7.18
 Respectfully Submitted Lloyd P. Smith
 Treasurer

None of the Committees had Reports
to make

The following Orders were drawn
upon the Treasurer

Orders May 7 1880.

L Co. No 510, Librarian 1 month	150.00	
Treasurer 1 "	16.64	
B. G. Owen 1 "	50.00	
Janitor 1 "	50.00	
Elm Clellan 1 "	33.33	300.00

No 511, L M Burney. Furniture	1.00	
J B Shannon & Sons "	53.45	
Edward McGrath "	20.00	
— do — "	3.50	
Reading Iron Works "	33.58	
R Levick Son & Co "	28.15	
Wm W. Smith "	10.00	
James Gill Gardening	21.00	
" " "	159.70	330.38

No 512. Taxes for 1880, 5 th Library	486.78	
" " " Law Building	584.14	
S. Kingston McCay Commission	400.00	
N. American Advertising	21.85	
Boiler Inspector for 1880	5.60	
G B Newton & Co Coal	55.00	1,553.37

No 513 Balance due Librarian		
as per Report of Committee	157.90	
Current expenses for the		
ensuing year to be accounted		
for	400.00	857.90
		3,041.65

R. B. Nob 4, Librarian 1 month	33.33	
G. M. Abbot 1 "	133.33	
B. Samuel 1 "	16.67	
Janitor 1 "	50. "	
Watchman 1 "	30. "	263.33
Nob 5 W. A. Ballantyne Gardening	88.50	
Pancoast & Maule Repairs	8.50	
Gas Bill	10.20	107.20
Nob 6 Minutes due day 26 th		
1880,	2840.2840. "	
		<u>3210.53</u>

On motion the Secretary was directed to thank Mr Henry L. Stewart for his continued kindness at the annual election of Directors.

On motion the matter of the removal of the corner stone of the building at 5th & Library Sts was referred to Mr Biddle as a Committee with power to act

On motion Messrs Wharton, Biddle & Hutchinson were appointed a Committee to revise the Rules of the Library

The Secretary laid before the Board the lease of so much of the premises at 5th & Library Sts ^{as} ~~which~~ was formerly occupied by the Library, to "The American News Company of New York" which had been executed and delivered on the 9th of April 1880, and it was ordered that the same be entered on the minutes.

Lease

between

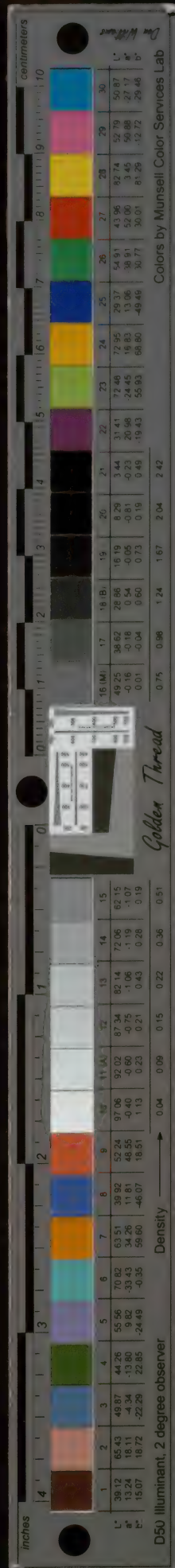
"The Library Company of Phil^a"

and

"The American News Co. of New York

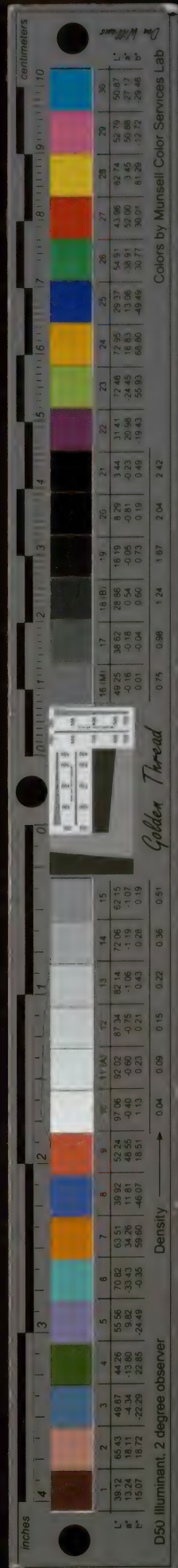
For premises N.E. cor. of Fifth and Library
Streets in the City of Philadelphia.

This Agreement made this ninth day of April, A.D. 1880, Witnesseth that The "Library Company of Philadelphia" doth hereby let unto "The American News Company of New York" the premises lately occupied by the said Library Company situate at the North East corner of Fifth and Library Streets in the City of Philadelphia for the term of Ten years from the First day of July A.D. 1880, at a rent of Four thousand Dollars per annum lawful money payable in monthly installments of Three hundred and thirty three dollars and thirty three cents, on the first day of each and every month during the continuance of this lease. The first payment to be made on the First day of August A.D. 1880. The said Lessees to have the privilege of making such alterations to the said Building at their own proper cost and expense as to adapt it to the wants and uses of their business and they agree to occupy the premises only for the use and business of "The American News Company of New York" and not to under let the same or any part thereof or assign this lease without the previous written consent of the said Lessors



The said Lessees further agree to pay the rent punctually on the day it falls due and payable and during the said term to keep the same in good order and repair and at the end thereof or other sooner determination of this lease peaceably deliver up possession of the same as altered by the said Lessees and in as good order and repair as the same now are reasonable wear and tear and damage by accidental fire excepted. The Lessors to have the said Building insured at their own proper cost to the extent of Twenty thousand dollars and also to pay all Taxes and the ordinary water Rents which shall be from time to time assessed upon the said premises by the City of Philadelphia. And the said Lessors further agree that in case the said premises during the continuance of said term shall be partially damaged by Fire without however becoming untenable the lessors shall repair or cause the same to be repaired without delay provided the damage does not exceed the amount of said Insurance and a reasonable and equitable abatement from the rent shall be made for the time until such damage shall be repaired. But in case the said premises shall be totally destroyed or so damaged by fire or other wise so as to be untenable then this lease shall terminate and end. And the said Lessees covenant and agree to pay all bills rendered for Gas consumed in said premises during the continuance of this lease and after that time until they have procured the flow of the same to be stopped by the proper authorities. The said Lessees further agree that if the said rent shall at any time be in arrears

and left unpaid for the space of Thirty days or if the said Lessees shall underlet or otherwise use the said premises than as above expressed or shall fail to remove therefrom at the expiration of this lease as hereinabove provided or shall not well and truly perform and fulfill all and every the covenants and agreements herein contained on their part to be performed and kept then this lease shall at the option of the said Lessors cease and absolutely determine and any attorney may immediately thereafter as attorney for the said Lessees at the sole request of the ~~Lessors~~ sign an agreement for entering in any competent Court an amicable action and judgment in ejectment (without any stay of execution or appeal) against the Lessees and all persons claiming under them for the recovery by the Lessors of possession of the hereby demised premises, without any liability on the part of the said Attorney for which this shall be a sufficient warrant. And the said Lessees hereby release to the said Lessors all errors and defects whatsoever in entering such action or judgment or in any proceeding thereon or concerning the same and hereby agree that no writ of error or objection or exception shall be made or taken thereto. No such determination of this lease nor taking or recovering possession of the premises shall deprive the Lessors of any action against the Lessees for the rent or for damages. All



covenants and agreements herein contained or agreed to be kept and performed by either of the parties hereto shall extend to the successors and assigns of such party.

In witness whereof the said "Library Company of Philadelphia" and "The American News Company of New York" have caused to be affixed their respective corporate seals properly attested the day and year aforesaid.

Sealed and delivred
in the presence of us

Kingston McCay

McClain Tousey
(President
J. W. Johnson
Treasurer

Wm. Henry Rawle
Secretary of
The Library Company of
Philadelphia

On motion the Committee on Ridgway Branch were authorized to consult the Architect of the Building with respect to the settling of the front portico, as also to act in the matter of the well according to the request of the Janitor.

On motion the Executive Committee were authorized to adopt the request made by the Assistant Librarian in his note of May 6th except as to the Elevator.

The following transfers were approved
James N. Barnes to Isaac Hinckley
Daniel B. Smith " Benjamin R. Smith

William Platt's Est to Charles Platt
 Hector Tyndale's Est to Charles Hartshorne
 Richard Price's Est " Stephen L. Price, Trustee
 Jno W Gilbough " Edmund G. Hamersley
 Charles C. Morris' Est " Ella B. Morris
 Jno J. Thompson's Est " James B. Thompson

The following presents were received
 and the Librarian directed to thank
 the Donors.

Leopold's Letters of Washington By Langdon Gift of
 Dr Elwyn
 Typhus Jener's hum: Hirschman Gift of
 Dr Saml Lewis
 Le Chancre, Par Polman Gift of Dr. Lewis
 Agriculture of Penn^a 1849 " Geo. Blight, Esq

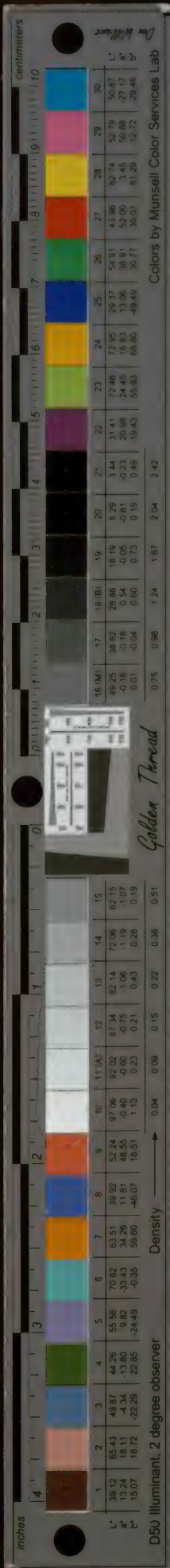
On motion it was resolved that hereafter
 the meetings during the summer be
 held at noon.

On motion adjourned.

Wm Henry Rowe
 Secretary

Recapitulation of Treasurer's Accounts

Dr				
Books	3,325.24			
Binding	873.49	4,198	73	
Salaries		3,468	35	
Expenses Repairs & Improvements		1,767	54	
Insurance		180		
Furniture, New Building		91	45	
Balance		1,707.68	114	05



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Balance from last Year	1,202 69	
Interest	204 61	
Rents Law Building 2,462.50		
Less taxes 613.75	1,848 75	
Logan's Rent	300 . "	
Yearly payments	7,645 "	
" Subscriptions	168 . "	
Shelving sold	45 "	11,414 05

Recapitulation of the Building Fund

To cost of ground	71,538 78	By Subscriptions paid	16,822 . "
" " building	49,350 11	Request of J. Fisher Dec	54,488 12
" " Litigation	4,688 88	Proceeds of shares sold	2,464 . "
Cash Balance	2,220 10	Interest	39,265 81
		Rents	14,757 94
	127,797 87		127,797 87

Recapitulation Treasurer's Accounts Ridgway Branch

Cr Balance from last Year	1,445.06
Net receipts from Rents of Real Estate through Clifford Lewis	13,120.57
Rent of Janitors House	300 . "
Rent from Logan's Library	900 . "
Rec ^d for 60 copies of Rush on the Human voice	126. 75
Interest on Cash Balance	42 44
Received for Chairs sold	800 . "
	16,734.82

Fitting up Building and grounds	347.31
Annuities	5,680.7
Books and Binding	212.25
Salaries and wages	3,723.88
Repairs	529.07
Current expenses viz - fuel	4,252.95
Water rent, gas, cleaning, care of the grounds	
stationery and incidental	1,585.49
Legal expenses Manners vs Librango	2,098.60
Balance	2,538.22
	16,734.82

At a meeting of the Directors
held June 3rd 1880

Present

- Messrs Willing
- Wharton
- Cramond
- Biddle
- Wister
- Hutchinson

Secy & Treas
Samuel Kane, Secy

No quorum being present adjourned
to Thursday, June 10th

At an adjourned meeting
of the Directors held June 10th 1880

Present

- Messrs Willing
- Lewis
- Cramond

Mrs Biddle
Wister

Hutchinson

Secretary & Treasurer

Wm. H. Kaul, Secy

No quorum being present adjourned

At a meeting of the Directors
held Aug 5th 1880.

Present

Mrs Coramond

Biddle

Buckley

Treasurer

No quorum being present adjourned

Wm. H. Kaul, Secy

At a meeting of the Directors
held Sept 2^d 1880

Present

Mrs Biddle

Wister

Hutchinson

Treasurer

No quorum being present adjourned

Wm. H. Kaul
Secy

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At a meeting of the Directors
held Oct 7th 1880

Present
Messrs Willing
Newbold
Wister
Buckley
Hutchinson
Treasurer

No quorum being present, adjourned

Wm H. Rawl
Secy

At a meeting of the
Directors held Nov 4th 1880,

Present
Messrs Cramond
Wister
Buckley
Mitchell
Hutchinson

Secretary & Treasurer

No quorum being present, adjourned
to Thursday, Nov^r 11th 1880.

Wm H. Rawl
Secy

At a meeting of the Directors
Nov 11th 1880

Present Messrs Willing
Lewis

Oramond

Biddle

Newbold

Wister

Buckley

Mitchell

Hutchinson

Secretary & Treasurer

The Reports of the Librarian and
Treasurer were read and approved.

A report was received from the
Committee on the Ridgway Branch, stating
that certain necessary repairs amounting
to \$685.35 had been made by authority
of the Committee.

On motion of Mr Lewis the report
was approved

The Librarian reported that Thos^d A
Reilly's Estate applied to have its share,
-forfeited in May 1849- restored on
payment of the back dues, on motion
approved

Messrs Biddle and Newbold were appointed
a Committee to audit the final account of
the Treasurer of the Building Fund

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On motion it was decided to purchase from Mr J. R. Lambdin a portrait of Dr Franklin, provided it could be obtained for \$150.00.

The Treasurer was authorized to enter satisfaction on the record of Mrs Beck's Mortgage for \$5000.00 when the same shall be paid off.

Mr Wm Henry Raule was unanimously elected to fill the vacancy in the Board caused by the death of Mr McCall.

The Librarian reported that a lot of pamphlets presented by the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, were in the hands of Messrs Pauson & Nicholson and that they had been partly bound in advance of orders to that effect. The books being for reference rather than circulation, on motion of Mr Biddle it was ordered that the bill be paid out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch; and that the pamphlets still unbound be removed for the present to that Institution.

The Librarian was authorized to dispose of four ornamental flower stands at the Ridgway Branch at the appraised valuation of Mr Birch viz - Twenty five dollars each.

The following orders were drawn

upon the Treasurer

No 524 Librarian's Salary 1 mo.	150.00	
Treasurer's " "	16.67	
B. F. Owen, Asst " "	50.00	
E. McCallan " "	33.33	
Jno Smith, Janitor " "	50.00	300.00

No 525 Phil ^a Contribution ship		
Premium on Insurance	300.00	
Mutual Assurance " "	50.00	350.00

R. Brandt

No 48. L. P. Smith, Librarian 1 month	33.33	
L. M. Abbott, Asst " "	133.33	
B. Samuel " " "	16.67	
E. McBrath, Janitor " "	50.00	
James Coll. Watchman " "	38.75	272.00

No 49. H. Barker Bros: Repairs	509.75	
Senr B. Drake " "	143.00	
Addison Hutter " "	32.40	
Jas Furston, Kindling wood	46.75	
City of Phil ^a for boiler inspection	13.60	745.70

No 80 Ammities due 26 th inst viz.		
M. L. Ritchie	500.00	
A. M. Rush	180.00	
S. L. Rush	180.00	
J. W. Middle	900.00	
R. H. Rush	180.00	1,940.00

The following transfers were approved

Wm Brown's Est to	Eliz M. Brown
Edw Peace's Est	Alfred Horner
Hettie D Davis	Paul A Davis
W. H. Lippincott	Philip Howard Brice
Persifer Frazer's Est	Nancy M. Ellicott
Emilia A. Leakeen	F. von A. Leakeen
Emily E. O'Brien	Dr R. A. F. Penrose

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Diary of Col. W. Sargent. Deposited by Mrs DeRenne
Debrahm's Province of Georgia

A collection of the Publications of the India Office

Index Catalogue

New life not the higher life

Western farmer in America

Methodism old and new

Dept of Agriculture, Reports

Catalogue of Greek & Roman coins

Minnesota Hist. Socy. Collecⁿ

Board of Education, Chicago

Department of Parks, Boston

Census, Cat. of trees

Chicago Public Library

Negocios de Roma 3pts

Geology of N. Carolina Vol 1

US Coast Survey 1876

Welsh Brevary

Wall placards of late war

American inventions

Smithsonian Report 1878

Gift of H. B. M.
Government

Gift of the Surgeon General

Mrs R. P. Smith

the Golden Club

J. K. Flanagan, Esq

The Commissioner

Yale College

The Society

Department

Commissioners

D. Boernstein

W. F. Poole, Esq

J. Biker, Esq

State Geologist

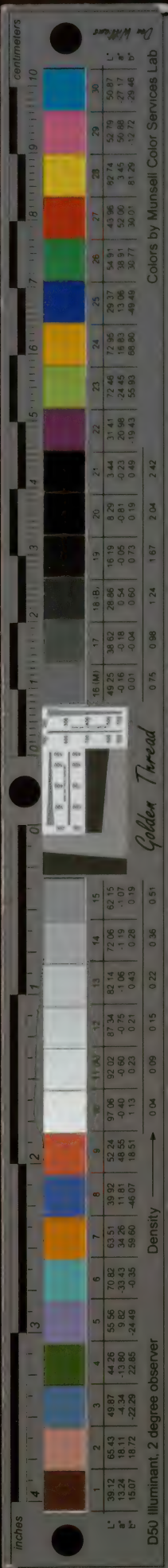
J. E. Hilgard Esq

H. B. Jones Esq

Mr McAllister

J. C. Harris Esq

Institution



Chief Engineers Report 3rd Gift of the Chief	
Republic of San Marino	" W. W. Tucker
Journals of Councils	" " Councils
Life of Jno M. Whitall	" " Mrs R. P. Smith
Penna Archives 2 3 and 8	" " State Printer
Phil Socy for Charity	" " Chas D. Kellogg, Esq
Indian Seolay	" " Geo Collett Esq
Pacific Coast Pilot	" " Superintendent
Deep sea Soundings	" " " "
Geological Survey of Ohio	" " Commissioner
Iron & Steel works, U.S.	" " H. Hudson, Esq
Ironmaking & coal	" " Author
Dept Agriculture Georgia	" " Z Allen, Esq
Kansas " "	" " L. P. Smith
Killebrew on Sheep	" " Author
First settlers of N. England	" " Z Allen, Esq
Ackworth School	" " L. P. Smith
Training of Seamen	" " Secy of Navy
Naval education	" " " "
Henry on Sound	" " Smithsonian Inst.
Scientific works of Henry	" " " "
Early voyages to America	" " Hist. Socy Va
Diary of Washington	" " " "
Virginia pamphlets	" " " "
Internal Commerce U.S.	" " Jos Nimmo, Jr
Diseases of Swine	" " Agricultural Dept
Memor of Bigelow	" " Rev Geo E. Ellis,
Reynold Memorial	" " Mrs Landis
Kansas State Record of Agriculture	" " Board
Flags of Michigan	" " Hon Mr Crosswell
Penna. State Affairs	" " " " Dunkel
Official Register 2nd	" " " " Randall
Shipper Papers	" " Mrs Balch
Hindelkopers Judaism at Rome	" " Author

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Yale College Publications Gift of the College
Harvard Observatory 10 vols
Register Loyal Legion Let Prof. Nicholson
Grand Lodge I O O F, 1880
Pamphlets from various sources

— The following minute was ordered to be entered —

• Peter McCall Esq, one of the oldest members of this Board having departed this life on the 30th ult. the Secretary was requested to place on the Minutes a record of the profound sorrow felt by his fellow-Directors at the loss they have sustained. Mr McCall was elected a member of the Board in the year 1857 and during his long term of service he was regular in his attendance at its meetings and always cheerfully performed the duties - sometimes not a little onerous - which fell to his lot. While the citizens of Philad^a in general lament the removal from this community of a gentleman distinguished in his profession, of perfect integrity of character, and remarkable for all the virtues which can adorn a man and a Christian his friends at this Board will never cease to hold in kindly remembrance the cultivated intellect the refinement of manner and the courteous consideration for others which characterized him in social intercourse. For the irreparable loss to his immediate family the Directors can only offer their sincere and respectful sympathy; in token of which the Secretary was requested to transmit to Mrs McCall a copy of this minute.

On motion adjourned
W^m Henry Rauch Sec

At a Meeting of the Directors
held Dec 2nd 1880

Present-

Messrs Willing

Wister

Hoare

Buckley

Cramond

Mitchell

Riddle

Hutchinson

Newbold

Rawle

And Treasurer

The Minutes of the last meeting were
read and approved

The Reports of the Librarian and
Treasurer were read

The Report of the Committee to audit
the Treasurer's final account of the
Building Fund was presented and
on motion of Judge Hoare the report
was accepted and the Committee
discharged with the thanks of the
Board

Mr Buckley from the Committee
on Ridgway Branch presented a
communication from Mr Clifford
Lewis asking an increase of salary
to \$900.00 On motion the salary was
fixed at \$800.00

On motion of Mr Buckley it was
resolved that the Committee on Ridgway
Branch be authorized in their discretion
to sell the Rush furniture therein
other than that in the Memorial
Room.

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On motion it was

Resolved That the Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia be authorized and directed to enter satisfaction on the record of the Mortgage of Samuel K Bye to Lemuel Coffin and Joseph B Altemus dated 7th February 1871 recorded in Mortgage Book J.A.H. N^o 90 page 532 assigned to the Library Company aforesaid by assignment dated 25 October 1872 recorded in Mortgage Book J.A.H. N^o 280 page 390.

Dr Mitchell stated that the College of Physicians had in their possession the library of the late Mr George Ord which they were willing to dispose of, provided they could come to some satisfactory arrangement with the Library Company of Philadelphia.

On motion the matter was referred to Dr Mitchell Dr Wister & Dr Hutchinson as a Committee, with directions to report to the Board.

A communication was presented from J. H. Wheeler Esq on behalf of J. A. Payne desiring to purchase or lease the small piece of ground back of the Library with right of occupying and building over that

part of the 10 feet wide alley back of the Natatorium.

Which on motion was referred to the Committee for the month.

On motion of Mr Biddle it was Resolved, That Mr Rawle be appointed on the special Committee to revise the Rules in place of Mr Wharton.

On motion it was resolved that Mr Newbold be appointed to fill the vacancy in the Book Committee, caused by the death of Mr Wharton,

On motion it was resolved that Dr Hutchinson be appointed to fill the vacancy in the Committee on the Ridgway Branch caused by the death of Mr McCall Mr Buckley now becoming Chairman of that Committee

The following minute respecting the death of Mr Wharton was read -

On the 17th day of April, 1856, a special meeting of this Board was held after the death of Thomas I Wharton, Esq. "A gentleman" said the resolution, "whose social qualities and whose devotion to the interests of the Institution rendered his services peculiarly valuable to the Board and his society delightful as an associate and a friend."

Mr Wharton had served on the Board for sixteen years.

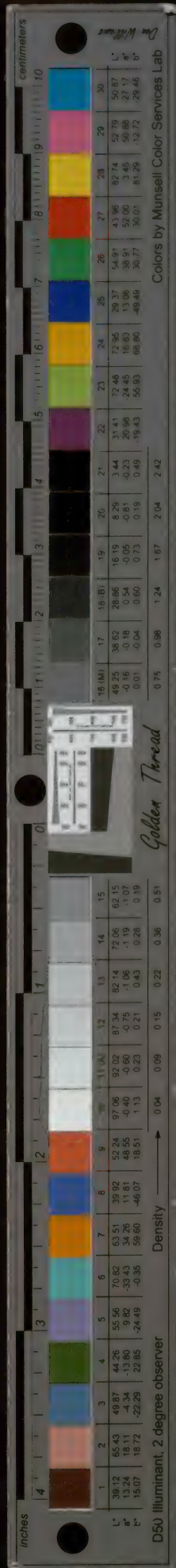
On the sixth of February, 1862, his son Henry Wharton, in memory of whom this

minute is entered, was elected a Director, and he served us for eighteen years - two years longer than did his father. What was true of the father was pre-eminently true of the son, for, the last ten years of Mr Henry Wharton's work among us were the most important this Library has seen since its infancy and to his exceeding love for its best interests we owe so much of what we now enjoy and we, who still meet here, and miss his sagacious counsels and the charm of his society can but thus mark our appreciation of these, and cherish them in our tenderest memories.

On motion it was ordered that the same be entered on the Minutes and that the thanks of the Board for Mr Wharton's labor on the Building Committee be communicated to Mrs Wharton.

On motion of Dr Mitchell it was Resolved that Mr Rawle be appointed a Committee to inquire if a memorial of Mr Wharton in the form of a picture can be obtained.

On motion of Mr Newbold it was Resolved. That the proceedings of the Phil^a Bar & Bar Association upon the occasion of the death of Mr McCall and Mr Wharton be appropriately bound.



The following Orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

Libraries

No 526. L.P. Smith, Libⁿ 1 month 150.00
 " " Treat 1 " 16.67
 B.F. Owen, Asst 1 " 50.00
 E. McClellan " 1 " 33.33 300.00

No 527 J.R. Lambdin, Portrait of Dr
 Franklin 150.00
 Richard H. Watson, Plumbing 28.57
 J.B. Shannon, Speaking tube &c 22.55
 M.L. Frederick, Printing 13.50
 Pancoast & Maule, Heater 20.73
 Jno Wanamaker, Mattings 106.00 341.35

No 528. Deficiency in Building Fund 1283.52
 RB

No 81. Lloyd P. Smith, Librarian 1 month 33.33
 E.M. Abbot Assistant " 133.33
 B. Samuel " " 16.67
 E. McGrath Janitor " 50.00
 James Cole Watchman " 37.50 270.83

No 82 Pawson & Nicholson, Binding 248.15
 Wm McCarter Painting 37.00
 Moon & Bro. Manure 48.00
 Edward Burke " (624.23) 20.25 353.40

\$ 2,549.10

The following transfers were approved
 John Livezey's Est to Alexis P. Turner
 St Jude's Church " Geo Fales Baker

The following presents were received
 for which the Librarian was directed

to thank the donors
Presents

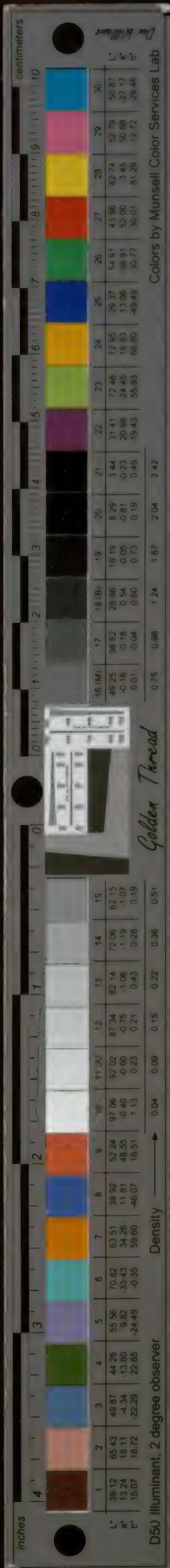
Laws & Doc of Penn¹⁸⁷¹ Gift of the State
Hayden's Survey Laws " " " Govt.
Bunker Hill Monument " " " Rep.
Penn's Charter to Public Schools
Fathers of Wisconsin " " " Governor
Jno A. Mearns " " " C. Hamilton Esq
Richardson Family " " " Author
Fitz John Porter Case " " " Hon S. J. Randall

The Board proceeded to the Election
of a Director to fill the vacancy caused
by the death of Mr Wharton, whereupon
Mr Charles Platt was unanimously
elected.

The Board proceeded to the election
of a Secretary to fill the vacancy
caused by the election of Mr Rawle
as a Director, whereupon Mr George
Harrison Fisher was unanimously
elected.

On motion adjourned.

Wm Henry Rawle
Secretary pro tem.



Building Fund Account

Recapitulation

To Cost of Ground 71,538.78
 " " " Building 52,855.52 124,394.30
 " " " Litigation 4,688.88

129,083.18

By Subscriptions & Bequests 71,310.12
 " Proceeds of Shares sold 2,464.00
 " Interest and Rents 54,025.54
 " Balance to be paid by Co^{ny} 1,283.52
129,083.18

At a Meeting of the Directors held January 6, 1881

Present -

Mrs. Willing

Buckley

Hare

Mitchell

Crannell

Ketchum

Newbold

Rawls

Wish

Platt

Biddle The Treasurer and the Secretary

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

The Executive Committee recommended that the salary of Morton Shaw should be raised from \$3- to \$4 per week, and that of Miss E. M. Chilton from \$33.33 to \$40 per month, which recommendations were adopted. The Newbold from the ~~Special~~ Committee to which was referred the proposition of J. A. Payson to purchase or lease a small piece of ground back of the

Library with the right of occupying and building
 over their part of the Empire Trade Alley back
 of the Natatorium. Made a report adverse to the
 proposition, which report was approved and
 the Committee discharged - from further consideration
 of the subject. The Book Committee reported that
 they had decided adversely to the proposition of
 John A. McAllister to give certain books in exchange
 for duplicates in the Library; and that the offer
 had been withdrawn. On a common motion
 of this Committee it was resolved that a sum of
 £100 - be made to E. J. Allen of London to cover
 a balance of £122 - 18 - 8 due him -

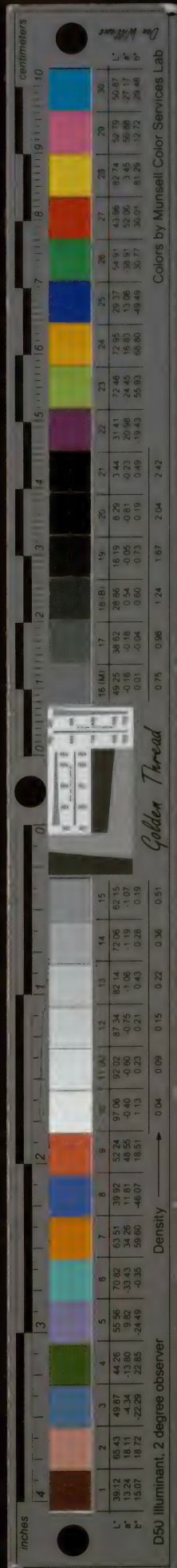
The Buckley from the Committee
 on the Ridgway Branch reported that the Com-
 mittee had instructed the Librarian to tell
 Barker & Bros. to complete their contract to stop
 seats in the platform, that they had authorized
 the janitor to buy six tons of coal and a suitable
 cooking stove for his house, and to have the
 piny and water closed here in order, that they
 had presented him with an old chest of drawers
 valued at five dollars; and that they had
 examined the furniture not yet sold and
 directed the sale of all of it except -

The mirrors in the Librarian's Room

The turn cotton vases " " " "

The mirror in the ladies parlour, The cane seated
 chairs and settee, one pair of Candelabra in the
 Directors room, and one marble statue in the
 Memorial Room. The

Committee also reported that they had
 authorized the Librarian to buy a clock of
 the value of \$12 - The Committee



Recommended the provisions in the clause on page 7 of Dr Rush's will requiring that 10 per cent of the clear net income of the Estate be set aside every year for a contingent fund to now complied with. The Amount due this fund for the two years ending May 1880

was

\$1601.35

Less Amount spent in alterations of Callowhill & House

\$ 680
987.35

which sum the Committee recommended should be set aside and a separate bank account opened. The Committee also recommended that Benford Samuel's pay should be raised from \$300. to \$400. per annum, and that Paul Gibbs wages should be raised from \$3. to \$4 per week. The report with its

recommendations was approved.

Captain Biddle from the Committee on Rules to be observed in the Library read the Report of the Committee and the following Rules were then adopted -

RULES

TO BE OBSERVED BY THE

LIBRARY COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.

I. All persons are allowed to consult the books in the room without charge during Library hours.

II. The Librarian shall attend at the Library every day (Sunday excepted) from half-past eight o'clock A. M. until six o'clock P. M. He shall enter in the catalogue kept at the Library, such books as may be purchased or added to the Library; label and number the same, as well as all others from which the label or number may be torn off or defaced. He shall also replace the books on the shelves, as they are brought in, as soon as he conveniently can, first having examined whether they are free from damage.

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III. He shall lend to any member or subscriber,

Two Folios,	} For Two Weeks,
Two Quartos,	
Two Octavos, or	
Four Duodecimos,	

and no greater number, unless on hire, or so connected as to be otherwise useless. At the expiration of the time specified (unless application has been made by another member for the same books, and the Librarian requested to take a memorandum thereof) the borrower may, on producing the books to the Librarian, renew the same for the like time.

IV. Every person, not being a member or subscriber, who shall hire one or more books shall first deposit, as security, in the hands of the Librarian, double the value of such book or books; but if the book or books should belong to a set, then such person shall deposit treble the value of the volume or volumes which he shall so take out.

V. Every person, who shall take out a book or books on hire, shall pay, for the use of the Library, ten cents a week for each volume, and no smaller sum, although the book may be returned within the week.

VI. Any person, who shall neglect to return the book or books, within the time specified in the third rule, shall for such neglect, pay to the Librarian, for the use of the Library (in addition to the hire when the book is not taken out by virtue of a share), ten cents per week; and if not returned, undefaced, within one month from the expiration of the time limited, the fine and hire accruing thereupon shall be doubled, and the deposit money, if any, shall be forfeited to the Company.

VII. No person from whom any hire or forfeiture is due, or who hath damaged any book, shall be permitted to have another book till satisfaction be made.

VIII. The Librarian is to conform to the instructions of the Directors with regard to such books as, from their scarcity and value, are to be let out only on certain conditions, or not at all.

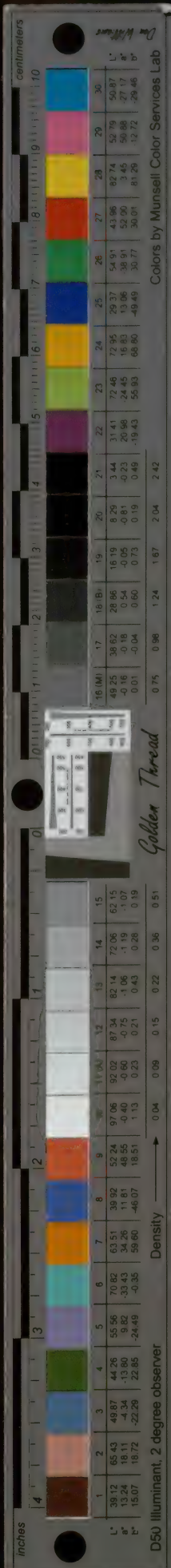
IX. No person, whether a member or not, is to lend the book or books he borrows to any person out of his dwelling-house.

X. No book shall be lent on the share of a deceased member, unless authorized by the executors or administrators of such deceased member.

XI. Persons not members may take books out of the Library on the same conditions as members, by paying in advance twelve dollars for one year, six dollars for six months, or four dollars for three months, commencing at any period.

XII. When any member or subscriber shall desire to take out any book or books, the value of which shall exceed that of his share, or the proportionate part of his subscription unexpired, the Librarian may require him to deposit a sum of money double that excess.

XIII. Books will be sent to members or subscribers, if desired, by book post, express, or local despatch, at their expense.



A by-law was proposed under which forfeited shares should be sold at public sale, and the proceeds after payment of fines and dues handed to the treasury. On motion of Mr Rawls the consideration of this subject was ordered to lie over until the next meeting.

Mr Rawls of the Special Committee appointed to obtain a portrait of the late Henry Wharton asked that Mr Mitchell and Mr Newbold might be added to the Committee; which was so ordered.

The Special Committee appointed to consider the proposition to purchase the Old Library, reported that they deemed it inexpedient to make any offer; which report was accepted and the Committee discharged.

gaf Messrs Biddle and Newbold were appointed a Committee to examine the accounts between the ^{Library Co.} ~~Institution~~ and the Logansville Library.

The following orders are drawn upon the Treasurer

Library Co

No 5-30

Lloyd P Smith, Librarian 1 mo. 150

" " Treasr 1 " 16-67

B F. Owen Assistant 1 " 50

E McClellan " 1 " 33-33

Jno Smith Janitor 1 " 50 \$300.00

No 531.	Phil. Granite Co; Stone Cropsing	33.75-	
	Cornelius & Co; gas fixtures	88-45-	
	Carlisle & Joy; repairs	40-14	
	Amos Obduke & Co " "	<u>9.20</u>	168.54
No. 532	E. W. Woodruff. pamphlet boxes	12.	
	Jno E. Gorman " "	22	
	Moss & Co Stationery	58-13	
	Jas. Gill, Care of grounds	<u>65-</u>	154.13
R. B.			
83.	L. R Smith, Librarian 19110	33-33	
	J. M. Abbot, Asst. Librarian 1. mo	133-33	
	B. Samuel " "	16-67	
	E. M. Grall, Janitor	50.	
	Jas. Coll, Watchman	<u>38.76-</u>	272.08
84	H. Stevenson & Co, Lumber for Allen	18-60	
	J. Birch, Inventory & appraisement	<u>28-</u>	40.60
85.	Current Expenses to be accounted for at end of year		400.

The following transfers were approved
 Alexis P Turner to Mrs Charlotte J. Engles
 John Dickson's Est. to Levi Dickson
 E. W. Appleton to Mary J. Bodine

Shares of stock forfeited for non payment of dues were ordered to be returned to the following holders
 Elwood Wilson Jr forfeited in 1879
 Elizabeth Swift's Est " " "

The following Presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the



donors:

Presents -

Publications Map ^{us} Historical Society, Life of	The Society
Public Documents of the U.S.	" " The Govt
Penn ^a 3 ^d Geol. Survey of	" " The State
Memor of Carey - By Elder	" " H.C. Baird Esq
Jews of the U.S.	" " W.B. Harkness Esq
Foreign Relations, 1878	" " Secy of State
Act and Rules	" " L.A. Scott Esq
Madame M. H. H.	" " L.R. Smith Esq
American Ephemeris 1883	" " Secy of Navy
History of Grace Church L.I.	" " The Anchor
Harvard University Catalogue 1880, 81	" " The University
U.S. Commission on Fish	" " Smithsonian Inst.
50 th Report State Penitentiary	" " R. May Esq
Life & Writings of Smithson	" " Institution
International Monetary Conference	" " Secy of State
On motion adjourned.	Gro Hansen Fisher
	Secy -

At a Meeting of the Directors
held February 3 1881; Present,

Wheeler

Buckley

Hare

Mitchell

Cramond

Hutchinson

Biddle

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Newbold

Platt.

Wishu

The Treasurer and the Secretary.

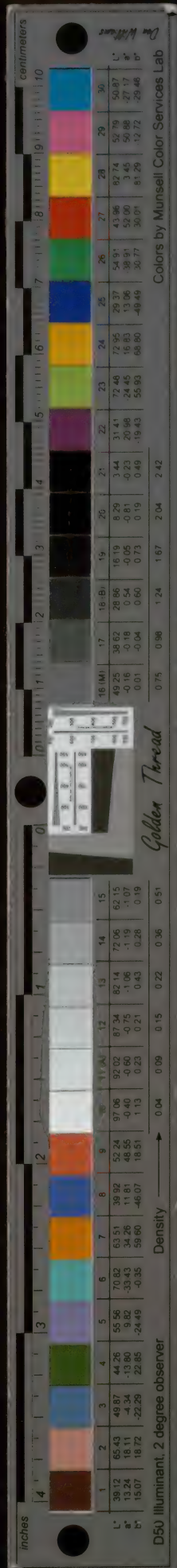
The minutes of the last meeting
were read and, as amended, approved.

The Reports of the Librarian and Treas-
urer were read.

The Executive Committee reported
that the matter of ventilation for the lower story
had been arranged. It having been reported
that the American Library Association would
meet, the following week, in Washington, the
Librarian was appointed to represent the Library
Company at that meeting, at the expense
of the Ridgway Branch. The Committee
was requested to have the windows of the
lower story weather stripped and to con-
sider the question of having iron shutters
placed on the west side.

The Committee on Finance reported
an application from W Moore Wharton for
the reduction of interest on his mortgage
from 6 to 5 per cent. The Committee was
authorized to allow this reduction for one
year in case the interest should be promptly
paid.

This Committee also reported that
the principal of the mortgage of J K Byr, for
5000 dollars, lately satisfied, was on deposit



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at the Pennsylvania Company, and the Committee was authorized to reimburse this sum - Notice having been given that a registered bond of the United States for \$1000, belonging to the Library Company would be paid off on July 1. 1881, the Treasurer was authorized to transfer ~~the same~~ for collection sell. ~~afine~~ transfer the same.

The Book Committee reported that in accordance with their instructions the Librarian had addressed to Israel Pemberton Esq in Paris, a letter of which the following is a copy

Philadelphia, January 17-1881

My dear Sir,

At the suggestion of Mr Rawls, the Directors of the Library Co, at their last meeting, resolved to transfer the selection of new French books for the Library, from Mr F. W. Christen to you. Our means will not permit of very heavy purchases at present, and an average of one hundred francs a month is all we can afford just now. The idea is to get such new books as are suitable for our readers, of which the Directors think you will be an excellent judge. I send you by this mail, our recent bulletins.

Mr F. W. Christen's Agent in Paris is Mr Charles Reinwald 15 Rue des Sts Peres, who will buy any books you order and forward them, without your having any further care than to indicate what you wish him to procure. This will be your authority.

Yours very truly
Lloyd P Smith, Librarian

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch reported that they had sold various articles of furniture, amounting in the aggregate to \$2003. They also reported that the roof having become leaky they had received an offer from a mechanic named to repair the same at a cost of \$60 - and to guarantee the work for 2 years. They were authorized to make the contract proposed.

The joint Committee appointed to adjust the accounts between the Library Co. and the Logans Library made the following report;

We the Committees appointed respectively by the Directors of the Library Co. and the Trustees of the Logans Library to adjust the accounts between them, respectfully

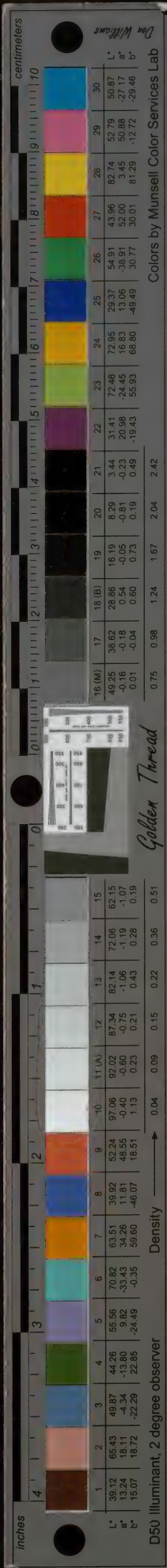
Report: That under the settlement made on the occasion of removing the Logans Library to Broad & Christian Streets the sum of \$600 - is due yearly to the Ridgway Branch for Rent and expenses, payable on the 1. January. They recommend that a Logans Order be drawn for that amount on the Treasurer.

The joint Committee last year reported that there was a Balance due on Books Account to the Library Co of \$18.50. Since then the following Books imported by the Library have been charged to the Logans Library

The Talmud of Jerusalem in Hebrew	£5-	
Le Normants' Etudes Academiques	16	
Encyclopedia Britannica Vol.	117	
Marcellus Abydos Vol 2-	4/10	
" Monuments d'Egypte	2/16 & 13/19	68.40
Also Jas. Logans Charge to Grand Jury		1-

over

\$ 69.40



	over	\$ 69.40
James Logans Antidote to David Lloyd		2-
Bending New Antologia		1.10
Balance last year		18.50
Balance of Book Account - DuLibray Co		<u>91.00</u>

Jas. S. Bidule } Committee
 John Newbold } Librarian Co
 Caspar Archer } Committee
 H. Crammond } Logans Library

Feb 3^d 1881.

The consideration of the proposed new By Law relating to forfeited shares was again postponed.

The special committee appointed to inquire whether a portrait of the late Henry Wharton could be obtained, reported that they had seen the

traveller who offered to paint a portrait for \$175. The Committee was empowered to acc-

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer:

5-33	Lloyd Smith, Salary as Librarian	\$150	
	" " " " " " " "	16.67	
	B. F. Owen	50-	
	Miss E. McChesney	40	
	Janitor	<u>50-</u>	306.67
5-34	Jas. H. Erickson, Carpenter work	152.06	
	J. H. Collins, Printing Bulletin etc	73.40	
	Jas. Funston Firewood	31.75	
	Jno. Wanamaker, Saus	7.72	
	Jno. E. Carr Kitchen range	8	
	Kentdale Co, " "	74.30	
	" " " "	7.88	
	J. J. Burr etc Stationery	<u>9-</u>	364.11

R B 86	Lloyd R Smith	1 NW.	# 33-33	
	Jm. Abbott	1 "	133-33	
	B. Samuel	1 "	25-	
	E. M'Grath	1 "	50	
	Jas. Cole	1 "	38-75-	280-41
87	Hall & Garrison	Apparatusment	6	
	Jas. Buist	Hardware	14-49	
	Jas. Bill		10-20	
	Hops & Co	Stationery	13-35-	
	Richard H Watson	Repairs	93-10	
	Panconesi & Maule	"	38-52	
	Edw. M'Grath	Coal	42-	
	Edw. Capidy	Shoe	29	246-66
88.	Appropriation to Contingent Fund			
	as per Report of Committee		957-35-	

The share of stock belonging to Maria F. Maury's Estate forfeited in 1880, was ordered to be restored on Payment of back dues.

The following transfers were approved

Sarah A. Ward	to Alexis P Turner
Maria J. Maury's Est	" C Jagscott Maury
Amey Newbold	Mrs Julia Biddle

The following Presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Forest and Stream	7 Vols	Gift of	F.C. Jones Esq
Law Society Calendar	2 Copies	" "	The Society
Ayers Almanac 1881	" "	" "	The Publisher
Bible Commentary N.T. Vol 1	" "	" "	R.C. Clark Esq
" " (Schaff)	" "	" "	" " " "
Map Story of the Delaware			The Chief Engineer
On Motion adjourned			

Geo Hanson Fisher
Secy -



At a Meeting of the Directors held March 3.

1887. Present-

Meigs Willing

Hare

Cramond

Bidale

Newbold

Wister

Buckley

Mitchell

Hutchinson

Rawls

Platt

The Treasurer and the Secretary

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

The Executive Committee reported that there was difficulty in renting the directors room in the 3^d story of the Law Building in Fifth St. on account of its large size, and recommended the building of a partition there; which partition the Treasurer was authorized to have built. The same Committee presented estimates of the cost of putting up iron shutters on the Library building, without recommendations on that subject. On motion of Dr Mitchell, resolved that iron shutters are not deemed necessary by the board. On motion of Mr Newbold, resolved, that the Executive Committee be authorized to effect an insurance of One thousand dollars on the Books in the Library and one of fifteen hundred dollars on the Building.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had bought on behalf of the Loganian Library a Registered Navy Land bond of the Pennsylvania RR Co. for \$5000 - @ 110 and accrued interest (8 percent) payable in 1901.

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The Book Committee read the following
letters addressed to the Librarian

Paris 3. Feb. 1887

My dear Sir,

Your favor of 17th ult. and three bulletins
were received yesterday. Please say to your Board of
Directors that I highly esteem the compliment they pay
me in trusting the selection of new French works to
my judgment, and that I will give my best attention
thereto. I shall be careful not to expend more
than the amount you name, one hundred
francs per month.

Very truly yours

Israel Pemberton

21. Boulevard des Batignolles Paris 6. Feb. 1887

My dear Sir,

I called today on M. Reinwald
agent for the Christian and found him disposed
to do all in his power to aid me in selecting books;
it seems he has been in the habit of having the books
bound in Paris - do you wish in all cases they should
be bound here? It causes at least two weeks delay
in forwarding them, often more. I think binding
here is quite as costly as it is at home, and I
doubt its being as strong as with us. I see
by your Bulletin you receive many romances, novels
etc. shall I increase the proportion of more serious
and important works? Reinwald tells

me he sends you monthly bulletins of all
new French publications. If I come anything
that you think would be proper for you to have
please inform me and I will give it instant
attention. I have carefully examined last-
month's publishers' catalogues and have not seen

anything I think very interesting; perhaps this month
may afford something more entertaining - I shall
be very glad to have a line from you on the
subject of selection of new books -

Very truly yours

Israel Pemberton -

In reference to these letters the Book
Committee reported that they had directed the
Pemberton to send very few novels, and to con-
tinue to have the books bound in Paris

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch
recommended the purchase of maps to complete
the sets of county atlases of Pennsylvania,
New Jersey, Delaware and Maryland, as opportunity
offered - And the Treasurer was authorized
to make these purchases on behalf of the Ridgway
Branch -

Resolved that the portrait of the
late Henry Wharton painted by the Waugh be purchased
by the Company

The following notes were drawn upon the
Treasurer:

Library Co

5-35 L. P. Smith, Librarian 1700 - \$150

" Treasurer " 16-67

B. F. Owen, Assistant " 50

Mrs E. McClellan " 40

John Smith, Janitor " 50 306-67

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R.B. 89	L. P. Smith, Librarian	1 mo	\$33.33	
	J.M. Abbot, Africanist	"	133.33	
	B. Samuel	"	25-	
	E. McGrath Junior		50-	
	James Coll, Watchman		35-	276.66
90-	Farmers' Soc Co. - Home gran		36-	
	Expenses, Librarians Conference		21.95-	
	M.L. Reddick, Stationery		7-	
	Tom Young Coal		195-75-	260.70

The share of stock belonging to Cadwalader Wickensham forfeited in 1878, was ordered to be restored to him on payment of back dues.

The following transfers of stock were approved

John Pennington's Est.	to	Fannie Clark
David Samuel's "	"	F. L. Woodward Garrison
Joseph Lea	"	Caroline E. Cope
Alfred Walcott's Est.	"	Hink B Wells

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Presents

Imperial Dictionary	}	Gift of Mrs. Haldeman.
Irish "		These volumes are enriched
Webster's "		by M. S. notes of the late
Worcester's "		Dr. Haldeman
Chinese "		
Barclay's Americanisms		
Thomson's Synonyms		
Geological Survey of Michigan	Gift of	The Commission
History of Coaches - By Trapp	" "	" Author
Rec'd Com ^{tee} Boston, Report	}	" " " Commissioners
" " Roxbury "		
Report - Department of Agriculture		" " " Chief -



Chinese Book of Travels	Gift of	Si Kuri
Geology of Victoria	" "	The Commissioner
Faust		
Die fahrende Gesellschaften	}	Henry Phillips Esq
Hannovers Studien		
Report Internal Revenue	" "	The Chief
" Chief of Ordnance	" "	" "
Boston Athenaeum Catalogue	" "	C. A. Cutter Esq
Dangers of N. Pacific Ocean	" "	Capt. de Kræfft
Penitentiary Report - 1880	" "	Hon Richard Dwyer
Powell's Indian Language	}	Major Powell
" Geology of Utah		
Board of Public Charities, Report	" "	The Board
Finance Report	" "	Treas ^r Department
Macmillan's Catalogue	" "	Publishers
Hutcheon on Insane Hospital	" "	The Author

On Motion Adjourned
 Geo Harrison Fisher
 Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors
held April 7. 1881, present

Myers	Willing	Buckley
Oran	Oran	Mitchell
Biddle		Hutchinson
Newbold		Rawls
Wish		Platt

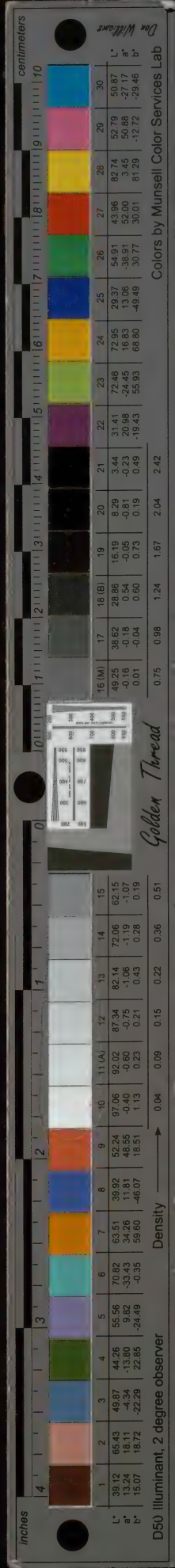
The Treasurer and the Secretary
The minutes of the last meeting were read
and approved.

The reports of the Librarian and
Treasurer were read.

The Executive Committee reported
that Mr. J. M. Abbott, the Assistant Librarian had
devised a system of charging books to those taking
them, by the use of cards, a system less costly
and more expeditious than that now in use, and
the Committee recommended its trial. Referred
to the Book Committee with power to act.

The Executive Committee further recommended that
the Library Telephone should be connected with
the general Telephone System of the City. Referred
to the Committee of the Month with power to act.

In pursuance of further recommendations of the Executive
Committee, the projects of opening a veranda
opposite the front entrance for purposes of ventilation,
and of painting the sky light to diminish the sun
light were referred to the Committee of the Month
with power to act, while the subject of making
arrangements for the care of the grounds at
the Locust St. Library and at the Ridgway
Branch was referred to Messrs Newbold and
Platt, as a special Committee, with power
to act.



The Book Committee reported that Mr John A McAllister had presented to the Ridgway Library without conditions, about fifty maps and charts, forty five volumes of newspapers and periodicals and about thirty five volumes of miscellaneous books, being in part the same as those he offered in exchange for duplicates. It being deemed advisable to follow the example of certain other libraries in printing along with lists of new books, lists of books on special subjects, and Mr Chas. R. Hildbome having prepared a list of all works relating to Philadelphia from its foundation to 1876 which he placed at the disposal of the Library Co. the first part of this list was ordered to be printed with the next Bulletin. The Librarian was authorized

to complete the collection of Official Reports of the Geological Surveys of the several States and Territories, provided the works could be had at a reasonable price. The

purchase of certain expensive works on Archaeology having been recommended by Mr Furman Rogers

Trustee of the University of Pennsylvania, the matter was referred to the Book Committee

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch reported that Mr Alexander Biddle had informed them, that his wife one of the Annuitants under Dr Rush's will, would be abroad on May 28th when a semi-annual payment would fall due, and that this payment, or \$900⁰⁰ would accrue to the Library under the following testamentary provision "if any Annuitants

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leave this country to go abroad the several half yearly payments becoming due during their absence, shall fall into and become a part of my residuary estate" The Committee recommended the building of a case and shelves, in the "Gentlemen's room" for water maps and atlases at a cost of about \$100; the covering of the counter and green table in the main hall with leather or imitation leather to save wear and tear of bindings, at a cost of \$50 to \$75; and the binding of certain illustrated works in numbers forming part of Dr Rush's Library at a cost of \$25. The Librarian was authorized to carry out the above recommendations.

The following By Law was proposed for adoption at the Annual Meeting -

"When the fines and dues on any share amount to more than twenty dollars at any one time, and the holder on being notified thereof shall fail to discharge the same within one month, it shall be lawful for the Directors, instead of forfeiting the share to sell the same at public sale for the account and at the risk of the holder, without further notice, and deduct the amount due out of the proceeds of the sale."

On Motion, Resolved, that this proposed By-law be submitted to be submitted to the stock holders at the annual meeting to be held on May 3 1881 -

Alfred Biddle and Platt were appointed
a committee to examine the Treasurers and
Librarians accounts.

The following orders were drawn
upon the Treasurer

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Librarian	1 month	1.50	
Treasurer	1 "	16.64	
Born	1 "	50	
E. McCallum	1 "	40	
J. Smith	1 "	50	306.67

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Gas Bill	3 mos.	5.26	
M. & S. Davis	Repairs	5.75	
Water Rent for 1881	5 wks.	26	
" " " "	Lowest	44	
J. Farnston	Fire Wood	10.75	
Insurance	Lowest St. Building	7.50	146.60

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J. H. Erickson	Weather Shipping	53.81	
M. L. Frederick	Printing	13	
J. S. Dixon	Repairs	29.32	
J. W. Drinkhouse	"	10	
J. S. Earle	Repairs	23.50	
H. Kornclompe	Repairs	12.60	142.23

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Lloyd P. Smith	1 mo.	33.33	
J. M. Abbott	" "	133.33	
B. Samuel	" "	25	
E. McGraw	" "	50	
J. Cole	" "	38.75	280.41

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Water Rent for 1881		137	
R. H. Watson	Repairs	121.36	
J. C. Howard	"	1.50	
Pancost & Mauds	"	1.45	
J. B. Lippincott	Stationery	7.04	268.35

GB Handwood, Maps
 Gm - Hopkins "

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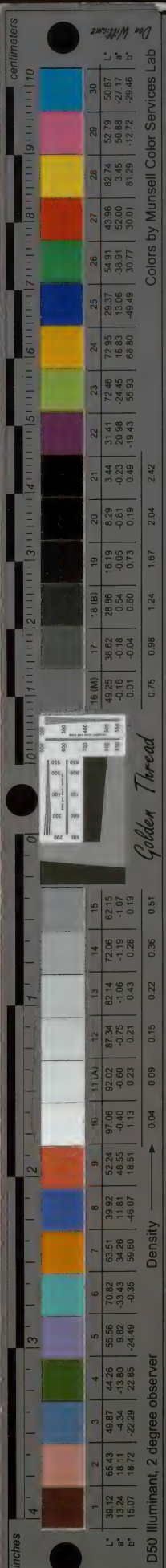
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The following transfers of stock
 were approved -

Julia Watkins	to	Clayton French
Sally B-B Warden	"	Alfred Smith
Thos. H. Walcott	"	Chushman A Snyder
Joseph Lecky	"	Louis Belton Jr
Joseph R Chandler Esq	"	John S. Mac Intosh

The following presents were received
 for which the Librarian was directed to thank
 the donors -

Allen's Ann - Pennsylv.	Gift of	The Secy of Interior
N Jersey, Geological Report '80	" "	The Chief
Report Bureau of Education 1880-'81	" "	The Board
War of Rebellion - Official Records	" "	Hon L. J. Randall
Memorial of Jos. Henry	" "	" " "
Number 13	" "	Grothauswood Esq
U. S. Coast Survey	" "	The Superintendent
Cometographic 2 vols	Request of	Whitcomb
Baldwin Locomotive Works	Gift of	The Firm
Report Dep't of Agriculture 1878	" "	" Commissioners
" Board of State Charities Pa.	" "	" Board
Gold and Silver Coins	" "	J C Nichols Esq
U. S. Naval Observatory	" "	The Superintendent
Presbyterian Alliance	" "	R. C. Clark Esq
Foreign Missions	" "	" " "
3 Photographs of Library Buildings	Gift of	E. Wallcut Esq
	On Motion adjourned	
		Jos H. Hanson Esq
		Secretary



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At a meeting of the Directors
held April 28 1881. Present -
Lafayette Grammel Hall
Newbold The Treasurer
Buckley and
Hatchinson The Secretary

W. G. Brown preside, adjourned
Geo. Harrison Fisher
Secretary.

May 2 1881

At the Annual meeting of the members of
this Company held this day at 3 o'clock PM
in the Library Building - Dr. John H. Brewster was
called to the Chair and the Secretary of the Board
acted as Secretary.

The Secretary read to the meeting the
Report of the Directors.

Report -

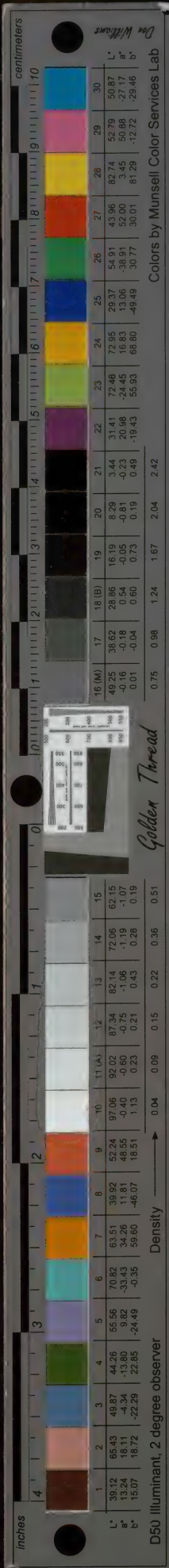
To the Members of the Library Company of Philadelphia
The Directors, in presenting their Annual
report would call attention to the fact that on
the first day of next July the Library Company will
complete the one hundred and fiftieth year of its
existence; the Articles of Association by which it
was definitely founded having been signed on the
corresponding day in the year 1731. The present
meeting therefore possesses a special interest for the
members, and it may be considered in a certain
sense, as the celebration of a very important anniversary.
With time passing it would be a pleasant task
to trace the progress of the Company, not always prosperous,

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from its modest beginning shortly afterwards in a room over the kitchen of a house, which was situated in Market Street below Second, at that time one of the most eligible positions in the city, and which was the dwelling of Robert Jones, one of its founders and staunchest friends, down to the present time. A history such as this would exceed the limits usually allowed to an Annual Report, and is doubtless familiar to many among you. It has, moreover, been recently written by the Librarian, and will shortly appear in a printed form.

The new building, after an occupation of a little more than a year has been found in the main to answer admirably the purposes for which it was designed. Experience has, however, shown the necessity for a few alterations and additions. One of the most important of these was the construction of additional means of drainage. Unfortunately, there is no sewer on Locust Street, and the two wells situated on the front of the lot, which it was believed would be a sufficient substitute for it, proved inadequate to carry off all the water coming from the building during the heavy rains which occurred at the close of the winter. It was therefore necessary to dig two more wells. This with the cost of the necessary drain pipe involved a large outlay of money, but the improvement was necessary to prevent the flooding of the cellar with water.

Another alteration, now under consideration, is the opening of a door



in the new wall of the building, directly opposite the principal door of entrance, and the construction of a veranda along a portion of the north front to which this door will give access. This, and the covering of a portion of the sky light area, it is thought, will conduce very materially to the comfort of those who visit the Library, and especially of those who spend much time in reading there during the summer months, by rendering the main hall much cooler than was the case last year.

With regard to the pecuniary condition of the Library Company, the following statement is furnished by the Treasurer

Receipts

Balance from last year	-----	
Interest	-----	1,707. 68
Rent of Law Buildings	-----	206. 84
" from Central News Co.	-----	2,530
	-----	3,000
Yearly payments	-----	7,791. 93
" subscriptions	-----	184
Duplicates sold	-----	41. 07
Legacy from Percival Hazen, dec'd	-----	1,000.
	-----	<u>16,481. 32</u>

Expenditures

Books	3,982. 14	
Binding	<u>963. 02</u>	4,945. 16
Salaries		3,620
Expenses and Repairs		1,779. 19
Insurance		357. 50
Taxes and Water Rent		1,140. 92
Fitting up new Building		3,156. 22
Commission on Lease		400
Balance		<u>1,082. 33</u>
		<u>16,481. 32</u>

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It will be seen from the above that the income of the Library Company has been materially increased by the rental of the old building on Fifth Street for a term of years to the Central News Company for \$4000 per annum which after deduction by Taxes yields the sum of \$3000.

The condition of the Loganian and Ridgway Trusts is also satisfactory. The income derived from the latter has received during the past year a notable accession in consequence of the death of one of the annuitants under the will of Dr. Rush.

The following is the record, kept by the Librarian, of the numbers of visitors to the Library and readers during the last twelve months

Library Company of Philadelphia -

Report of Attendance. Book Circulation etc. for Library Year, beginning May 1st 1880 and ending April 30 - 1881.

Number of days open, 306

Whole number of persons using or visiting the Library

Members

Males 31,004

Females 21,446

52,450

Readers

Males, 17,831

Females 5,960

23,811

Helpers

7,156

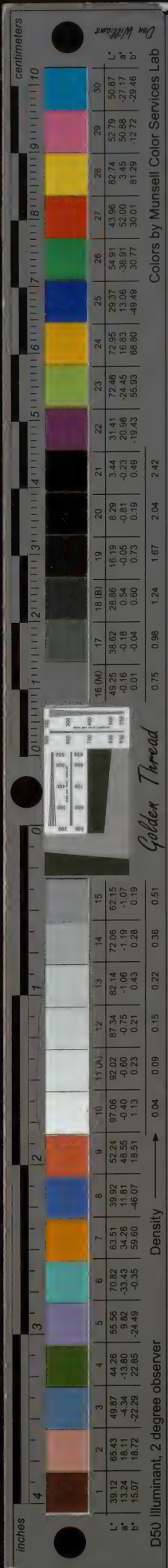
Total

83,417

Attendance for year ending May 1 - 1880 was 77,825 -

Difference in favor of this year

5,592



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Average daily attendance	272
" monthly "	6951
Whole number of books taken out	34,304
Daily average " " " "	112

Largest monthly attendance	April 1881	12,927
Smallest " "	July 1880	3,611

Largest daily attendance	April 23, 1881	784
Smallest " "	August 25, 1880	51

Whole number of Books added to Library

By purchase 1325-

" gift 184

Total Books 1509

" Volumes 1424

Catalogue Cards distributed

Copied at course 6975-

" " Ridgway Branch 6921

Total no. of Cards 13,896

Monthly average 1158-

Daily " 45-

Ridgway Branch

Report of attendance at for Library year, beginning May 1st 1880, ending April 30 1881.

Number of days open 271-

Readers

Male	1,632	
Female	<u>224</u>	1886

Visitors, other than readers

Male	4,092	
Female	<u>1,829</u>	5,921
Total		<u>7,771</u>

Daily average 28-

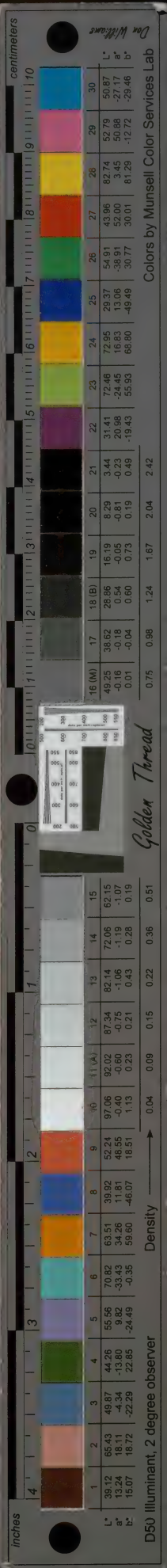
Book Circulation

Used in building	5390	
Given out	<u>1269</u>	
Total		<u>6659</u>
Daily average (of books)		<u>28-</u>

Books added to Ridgway Branch

By purchase	38-	
" gift	<u>480-</u>	480-

These statistics show a considerable increase in the number of visitors over that of the preceding year. This increase would have been doubtless even larger than it is but for two circumstances 1. The Exceptional heat of last summer 2. The fact that in the statistics of last year are included the visitors during the months which immediately preceded the opening of the new building, when an unusually large number were attracted to it by curiosity. It has been found that the removal of the library to its present site has not been attended with the disadvantage it was feared it might be, by some of its



members. Its situation is, however, more remote from the business center of the city than the former one, and to visit it for the purpose of taking out books is, therefore, attended with more inconvenience to a large number of stockholders. It will especially be the case during the summer months when many of them are living out of town, and come into the city solely for the transaction of business.

It has occurred to the directors that this inconvenience might be, in part at least, overcome by the connection of the two library buildings with Bell's telephone exchange of the city. As there are few persons who do not have access to a telephone, members will be enabled by this arrangement either to have the book they want sent to their places of business at a trifling charge, or to save themselves the loss of time in going for a book which may happen to be out.

By the will of the late Prof. J. H. Hager \$1000 = was bequeathed to the Library Company. This has been paid by his Executors within the past year, without deduction on account of taxes, and has been appropriated in meeting a deficiency in the Building Fund.

Under Dr. Rush's will the number of shares is "limited to those actually issued at the time of my [his] death" and since a few shares are forfeited for non-payment of dues almost every year the membership will dwindle indefinitely unless they are reissued. Since Dr. Rush's death forty shares have been

actually thus forfeited, of which certain have been
 relieved by paying of the back dues - Therefore
 the directors ask the members to enact the following
 by-law: - "When the fines and dues on any
 share amount to more than twenty dollars at
 any one time, and the holder on being no-
 tified thereof shall fail to discharge the same
 within one month, it shall be lawful for
 the directors, instead of forfeiting the share
 to sell the same at public sale, for the account
 and at the risk of the holder, without further
 notice, and deduct the amount due out of
 the proceeds of the sale"

The Board sustained during
 last year a severe loss in the death of two of
 its oldest and most useful members, Mr
 Peter McCall and Mr Henry Wharton

Mr McCall was elected a member of the Board
 in the year 1837 and during his long term of
 service was regular in his attendance at its
 meetings and always cheerfully performed the
 duties - sometimes not a high meritorious - which
 fell to his lot - While the citizens of Phila-
 delphia in general lament the removal from
 the community of a gentleman distinguished in
 his profession, of perfect integrity of character
 and remarkable for all the virtues which
 can adorn a man and a Christian, his
 friends at this Board will never cease to hold
 in kindly remembrance his cultivated intellect;
 the refinement of manner, and the courteous
 consideration for others which characterized
 him in social intercourse.



It would be almost impossible to place too high an estimate on the services which Mr. Wharton rendered to this Company as a member of its Board of Directors. From the time of his election in 1882 until his death in November last he manifested the liveliest interest in its welfare. This interest although never wanting he especially displayed as a member of the Committee under whose superintendence this building was erected. The Board feels that in his death the Company has lost a friend and counsellor to whose sagacity and wisdom is largely owing much of its present prosperity, and has therefore thought it proper to mark its appreciation of his services by having his portrait painted and hung in a prominent position in the main hall of the Library.

The vacancies in the Board created by the deaths of these two gentlemen were filled by the election of Mr. Wm Henry Rauh and Mr. Charles Platt.

By order of the Board

(Signed) Geo. Hansen
Secretary

On motion the report was accepted. Mr. James S. Bidwell then moved the adoption of the By-Laws therein proposed. Mr. Isaac Mayer moved to amend Mr. Bidwell's resolution as follows: Resolved that the proposed By-Laws shall be printed and sent to each member of the Company before being acted upon. The amendment being accepted.

by Mr. Biddle, the Resolution was adopted -
 On motion of Mr. S. H. McKay Messrs
 J. D. Sergrants and J. D. Rodney were appointed tellers
 of election and the meeting adjourned to hold
 the annual election for twelve directors and
 a Treasurer.

At a meeting of the
 directors held May 8 - 1887

Present Messrs Willing

Hare

Cramond

Biddle

Wishu

Buckley

Mitchel

Hutchinson

Platt

The Treasurer

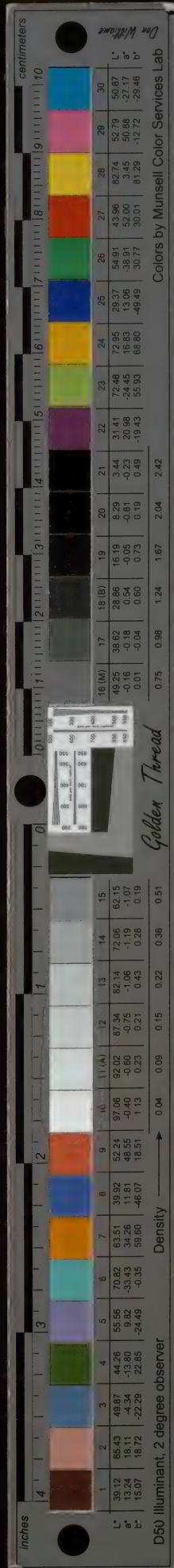
and the Secretary

The minutes of the last meeting
 were read and approved

The Treasurer read the Return of
 the Election for directors and Treasurer as follows:

At an Election held at the Library
 on Monday the second (2nd) day of May 1887 for
 a choir of twelve directors and a Treasurer
 of the Library Company, the following persons
 attended in person or by proxy to give their votes

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|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. W. L. Fadden | 9. M. J. Burton |
| 2. Jas. H. Hutchinson | 10. J. M. Wallan |
| 3. J. D. Sergrants | 11. Chas. A. Day |
| 4. W. L. Maclean | 12. |
| 5. R. P. Norton | 13. H. L. Skowme |
| 6. J. B. Lippincott | 14. S. Kingston McKay |
| 7. M. R. Johnson | 15. J. H. Fisher |
| 8. John W. Burton | 16. J. M. Abbott |



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| 17 Chas Morris | 25 J. Hewson Beebe |
| 18 Charlotte C. Rawls | 26 H. John Jones |
| 19 Lloyd Smith | 27 Alfred Homer (J. H.) |
| 20 J. V. Rodney | 28 Craig Bidule |
| 21 H. Crumond | 29 Meta C. Bidule (the J. B.) |
| 22 Frank J. Fajin | 30 Chas. McGee |
| 23 P. H. Brice | 31 C. L. Tyeon |
| 24 Jas. Bidule | |

Directors

- | | |
|---------------------|----|
| Chas. Willing | 31 |
| David Lewis | 31 |
| J. I. Clark Hare | 31 |
| Henry Crumond | 31 |
| Jas. Bidule | 31 |
| John S. Newbold | 31 |
| Casper Wicks | 31 |
| Edmund S. Buckley | 31 |
| L. W. Mitchell | 31 |
| James H. Hutchinson | 31 |
| Wm. Henry Rawls | 31 |
| Charles Platt | 31 |

Treasurer

- | | |
|-------------|----|
| Lloyd Smith | 31 |
|-------------|----|

We the subscribers testify that the above is a true statement of the Election of Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of Philadelphia, held on Monday the second day of May 1881, agreeably to the Charter and Laws of the said Company and that Chas. Willing, David Lewis, J. I. Clark Hare, Henry Crumond, James Bidule, John S. Newbold, Casper Wicks, Edmund S. Buckley, L. W. Mitchell, Jas. H. Hutchinson, Wm. Henry Rawls and Charles Platt were duly

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Electa Strickland, and Ely A. Smith
Treasurer of the said Company for the ensuing
year

Attest: J. S. Sergeant } Judges
J. S. Rodney }
Geo Harrison Fisher
Secretary

Geo Harrison Fisher was re-elected Secretary

The following standing committees were
appointed by the Board

Committee on Finance

Mrs Bidale, Newbold and Hutchinson

Book Committee

Mrs Willing, Hale, Gram and, Fisher and Newbold

Committee on Ridgway Branch

Mrs Buckley, Mitchell and Hutchinson

The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer
were read.

Treasurer's Report - May 5 - 1881

The Annual accounts made up to the 25th
ult. and examined and found correct by the
Committee appointed for that purpose. Show
the following results:

Cash Balance of the Library Co. 1,082.33

" " " " Logan Library 701.60

" " " " Ridgway Branch 5,742.24

" " " " Contingent Fund B. 954.04

Balance due Librarian, Hale Library 193.24

" " " " Ridgway Branch 171.12

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Cash Balance, Library Co as above, 1,082.33

Yearly payments 544 @ 8 1/4 4,352

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4,384.01

Rents, Central News Co. New B'v

345.83

5,729.84

Less orders to be drawn today

3,567.77

Order Book Commission

298.90

3,866.67

Leaving a cash balance of

1,945.50

Cash Balance Logansport as above

701.60

Less orders to be drawn today

185

Leaving cash balance of

\$526.60

Cash Balance Ridgway Branch as above

5,742.29

Less orders to be drawn today

1,723.84

Leaving cash balance of

\$4,018.25

Cash Balance of Contingent Fund as above

954.04

Add orders to be drawn today

825.49

Making cash balance of

\$1779.53

Balance due Edward Gillen London

£55.17.9

" " F.W. Christman

\$60.39

" in hands B Stevens London

£35.2.2

Respectfully submitted

Lloyd R Smith

Librarian

The Executive Committee reported an estimate of Robert H. Toul who offered to build a veranda across the whole front of the Library Building for \$1064. The work was awarded to Toul, at that price.

The following parts of this book believed to be duplicates were exchanged May 10, 1881 with Mr. C. Fiske Harris of Providence, R.I.

- Pamphlets No. 462. 2, Poems
4, Science: a poem
5, Liberty a poem

being 3 pamphlets in all

462, Quarto

we having reported a
annual for an increase of
share of salaries was referred
in Finance -

we was authorized to convene
- shortly to become due, into
of the United States -
Committee reported in favor
the "Annali dell' Instituto
- Archeologica" for the

The Committee re-
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Agreed to. The

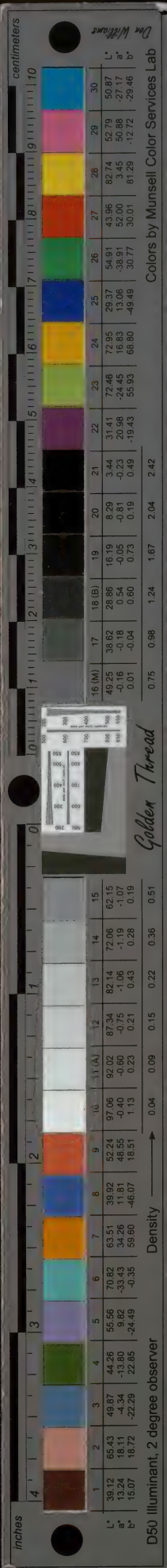
that Mr C Fiske Harris of
desirous of obtaining some

duplicate pamphlets in exchange for others -
The exchange was authorized - Mr Edward
G. Allen was continued as purchasing agent
in London.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch
recommended the appropriation of \$3000 for the
purchase of books etc - which was agreed to -

The Special Committee on grounds
reported an arrangement with J. Lee, the former
gardener, to take care of grounds at Corner St -
and at Ridgway Branch at \$10. per week
for 20 weeks

Mr Biddle presented the following
resolution - That a
Committee of three directors consisting
of members of the Bar be appointed



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Cash Balance, Library Co as above
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 After Book Committee
 Leaving a Cash balance of

Cash Balance Logansville
 Lf's orders to be drawn today
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Cash Balance Ridgway Branch
 Lf's orders to be drawn today
 Leaving Cash balance of

Cash Balance of Contingent Fund as above	984.04
Add orders to be drawn today	825.49
Making Cash balance of	<u>\$1779.53</u>

Balance due Edward Gillman London	£ 55-17-9
" " F.W. Churston	\$ 60-39
" in hands B Stevens London	£ 35-2-2

Respectfully submitted
 Lloyd R Smith
 Librarian

The Executive Committee reported an estimate of Robert H. Tont who offered to build a veranda across the whole front of the Library Building for \$1064. The work was awarded to Tont, at that price.

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The same Committee having reported a request from B. Samuel for an increase of salary, the question of salaries was referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Treasurer was authorized to convert the \$1000. U.S. bond shortly to become due, into a 3½ per cent bond of the United States.

The Book Committee reported in favor of the purchase of the "Annali dell' Instituto di Correspondenza Archeologica" for the Ridgway Branch. The Committee recommended a remittance to Edw. Gallen of London of £200. to B & Stevens £50. to F. W. Christie \$100. Agreed to. The Committee reported that Mr C Drake Harris of Providence, was desirous of obtaining some duplicate pamphlets in exchange for others. The exchange was authorized. Mr Edward G. Allen was continued as purchasing agent in London.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch recommended the appropriation of \$3000 for the purchase of books etc. which was agreed to.

The Special Committee on grounds reported an arrangement with J. Lee, the former gardener, to take care of grounds at Louisa St and at Ridgway Branch at \$10. per week for 20 weeks.

The Biddle presented the following resolution
Resolved - That a Committee of three directors consisting of members of the Bar be appointed

to examine and report what are the requirements of the Charter and By Laws as to what constitutes a quorum of members for business at a stated Annual Meeting of the Company.

The Committee appointed to examine the Treasurers and Librarians accounts reported that they had found the same correct; that they had examined the securities in the Treasurers hands and found them also correct.

The question of exchanging medical books in the Logans Library with other books was referred to Dr Mitchell.

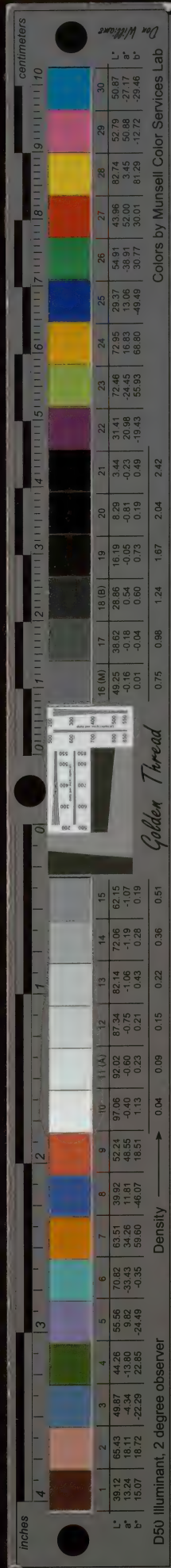
The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

L.C. 539 Balance due Librarian as per					
Report of Committee					1893-24
Current expenses for the ensuing					
year to be accounted for by Librarian					800. 993.24
540	Librarian 1920 - Salary to 1st inst.			150.-	
	Treasurer " " " "			16.64	
	B F Brown " " " "			50.-	
	E. McCallan " " " "			40.-	
	J. Smith " " " "			50.-	306.64

541	J.S. Burr & Co. Catalogue Cards	12-50	
	Donaghy & Sons, Westminster and Ave	18-	
	J.B. Brown & Co, Amherst Ave	125-	
	J.B. Shannon & Sons, repairs	2-40	
	J.C. Monteith, alterations Law B'go-	80	
	James Gill, Gardener	50	
	Wm. J. White, repairs	8-83	266.75-
542-	Robert H. Jones, Contract for drain	420.88-	
	Taxes Law Buildings	581.12	
	" " & Library	968.54	
	" American, Advertising	30.60	2,001.11
R.B. 24	Lloyd R. Smith, 1 mo's salary	33-33	
	J.M. Abbott " " "	133-33	
	B. Samuel " " "	25-	
	E. McGraw " " "	50	
	J. Cole " " "	37-50	279.16
95-	John Woods, Contract for drain	52-25-	
	J.B. Lippincott & Co, Stationery	17-94	
	Jos. Cranston, repairing roof	25-	
	J.M. Hopkins Atlases	24.	112.19
96	Current expenses to be accounted for	500-	
97-	Contingent Fund for Report of Committee	825-49	
98-	Committee M.C. Ritchie	500	
	A.M. Rush	180	
	J.C. Rush	180	
	R.H. Rush	180	1,040-

The following transfers were approved

Elizabeth S. English's Est	to	Alfred English
Chas. J. Boker's " "	"	Geo Boker
John M. Grant's " "	"	Anna M. McAllister
Harry C. Hart's Est	"	Harry C. Hart
John Cadwalader's " "	"	Anne C. Rowland
James S. Newbold's " "	"	James Logan Newbold



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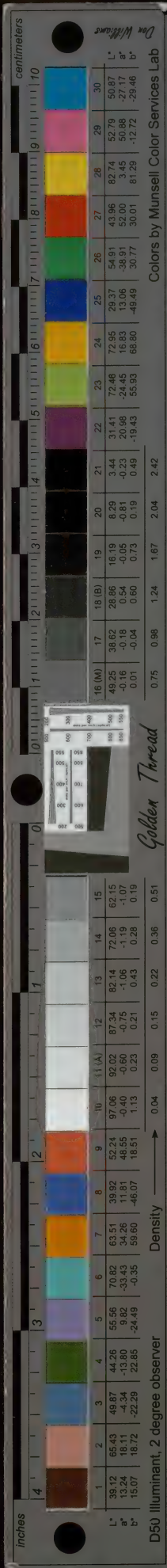
The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Penn ^a Archives	Eds. 4 vols	Life of	The State
" Geological Survey	5 "	" "	" "
Iowa, Agricultural Reports	15 "	" "	" "
Indiana, Geological Survey	2 "	" "	" "
Iowa, Reports, School	11 "	" "	" "
Phila. Journal of Councils	3 "	" "	The City
Public Library Cincinnati	But 2 vols	" "	" "
Warren's Bridging of the Mississippi		" "	Secretary of War
Ohio, Geological Survey	Vol 3.	" "	H. G. Jones Esq
Smithsonian Misc. Coll ⁿ	4 vols	" "	The Institution
" Contributions		" "	" "
Congressional Record	8 vols	" "	Hon S. J. Randall
New Jersey Archives	Vol 1	" "	The State
Letters & Papers Henry 8.	Vol 5.		
Calendar of State Papers, Domestic			
" " " " Foreign		" "	The Hon the
" " " " Ireland		" "	Master of the Rolls
" " " " Colonial		" "	" "
Graves of Canterbury	Vol 2.		
Bracton	" 3		
M. Paris	" 5		
Topografia di Roma Antigua		" "	Mrs A. H. Brewster
Transit of Mercury		" "	U. S. Observatory
Phila. How Co		" "	Hon R. Dancy
Pamphlets from various sources			
Ellicott's Cox Addresses			
Schaff, Bible Dictionary		" "	R. C. Clark
Candis Philosophy of Religion			
Callicut, The Papal System			
Homer, Truth of Scripture			

Tricki. Hours with the Bible
 Miller, Work my Religion
 Truelow, Mission
 Pratt. Peace College
 Moderation vs total abstinence
 Robinson, Spiritual Songs
 Southey, Poetical Works

Gift of R.C. Clark

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Iowa, Agricultural Reports	15 "	" "	" "
Indiana, Geological Survey	2 "	" "	" "

Vice, December 11th 1890.

Mr. Geo. Maurice Abbot;

Treasurer Library Company of Phil^a

Dear Sir;

Having lately learnt from my cousin Mr. R. Meade Bache that the small high-case clock, made by Edw^d Duffield having on the case a silver plate with the name of Franklin, B. F. Bache and Hartman Bache; now in the Library building, is recorded on the books of the Library Company as mine and deposited by me, I beg to state that the clock never was mine nor deposited by me and is the property of my cousin the said R. Meade Bache and I request you to have corrected the record referred to.

Very respectfully,

Thos. Hewson Bache.

Fisher. Hours with the Bible

Miller, Work Day Religion

Truslow, Mission

Pratt. Race College

Moderation vs total abstinence

Robinson, Spiritual Songs

Southey, Poetical works

Gift of R.C. Clark

Brutus' Arsenal

Unclaimed Money

Rocky Mountain House

" " the Publisher

" " " "

" " Mt. Department

On motion adjourned
Geo Harrison Fisher
Secy.

At a meeting of the Trustees held

June 2 1881: Present

Wesley Willing

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Biddle

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Rawls

Platt

The Treasurer

and the Secretary

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

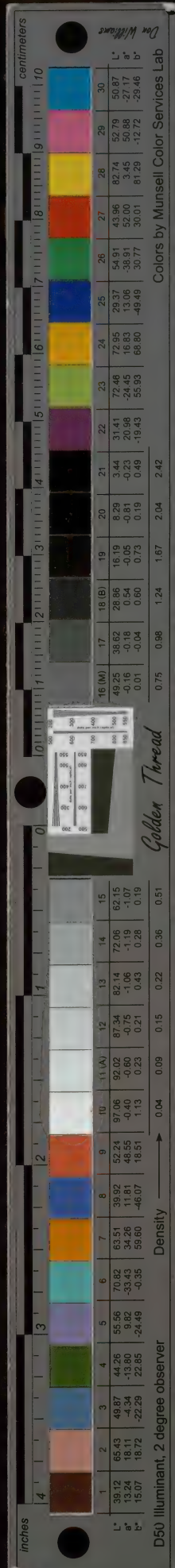
The following communications were read

Phila: May 7 1881

318 So Broad St

My dear Sir,

I hereby entrust to the Philadelphia Library, as a loan, until such time as I, or in default of myself, my heirs or assigns, may choose to reclaim it, a clock which



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belonged to Dr Benjamin Franklin, on the door
of which are engraved the names of its successive
owners -

(signed) Yours very truly
R Meade Baker

233 5073rd St

Monday May 9 1887

My dear Sir,

The chemical and philosophical
apparatus (glass) lately deposited by me in
the Redway Branch of the Phil^s Library -
belonged to Franklin - I think some-
where in his published letters allusion is made
to the large long tube which he exclusively
used to produce electrical excitement by
hand rubbing with silk or fur - The
primitive electrometer made with two lead
balls is interesting, for it was made by
himself - The same may be said of
the rough differential thermometer, no doubt
he invented it - Such thermometers could
only be used to indicate difference of temperature
at two different localities, and not the degree
of temperature. They answered for such ex-
periments by simply showing there was a
difference of temperature only - The glass tube
about 18 inches long and very narrow is also
interesting as it has a number of scratches
on it - No doubt it was used in experi-
menting with volumes of gases - The scratch
marked measures of the gases - The
small cylindrical case containing a tube and
fur rubber appears to be a portable arrange-

Philadelphia, Pa.
No. 4400

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To
the Librarian of the Philada. Lib.
N. W. corner Juniper & Locust
Philadelphia
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A. ... Sir:



Library Co. of Philad.^a
(Ridgway Branch)
Broad & Christian Streets,
Philadelphia 188

Please give portrait of
Franklin to be seen

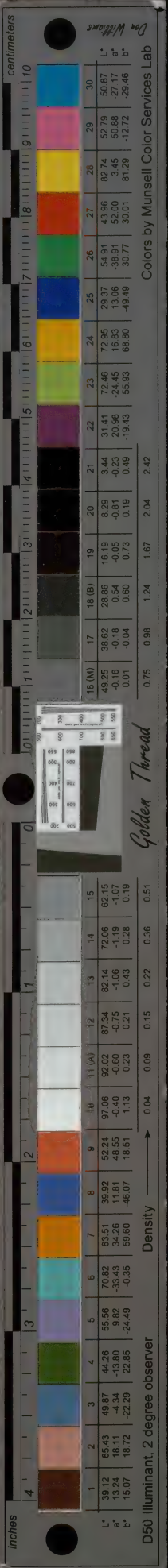
Samuel
of

December 17th 1895

Received the above mentioned
Portrait of Franklin and the
chemical apparatus deposited
by me in 1881.

Thos. Hewson Bache
233 So. 13th Street.

Salary and also the whole subject of salaries



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belonged to Dr Benjamin Franklin, on the door
of which are engraved the names of its successive
owners -

(signed)

Yours very truly

R Meade Baker

233 2073rd St

Monday May 9. 1887

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Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 5th, 1903.
No. 4400 Sanson Street.

To
the Librarian of the Philada. Library,
N. W. corner Juniper & Locust Sts.
Philadelphia.
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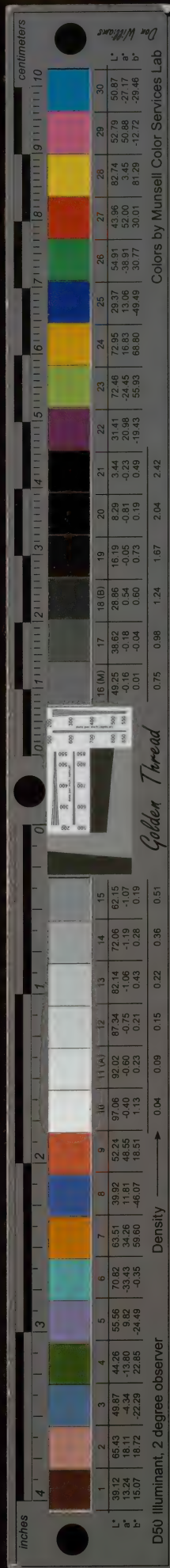
Dear Sir:

Please deliver to Mrs. R. Meade
Bache the Franklin Clock, which I had
deposited in the Philadelphia ^{Library} for safe-
keeping and exhibition, as will be seen
from examination of the Records of
the Library.

The Library, as I was once informed,
having been so good as to preserve such
wraps of moulding, or what not, that
separated from the case of the Clock
from time to time, will also be so kind
to let Mrs. Bache have them also
when she withdraws the Clock.

Yours sincerely,
R. Meade Bache

The Application of Benford Vannoy, Assistant
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4400 Sanson Street
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to Jearns The Clock
deposited by B. Meade
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Sarah L. Roche
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Mrs. B. Meade Roche
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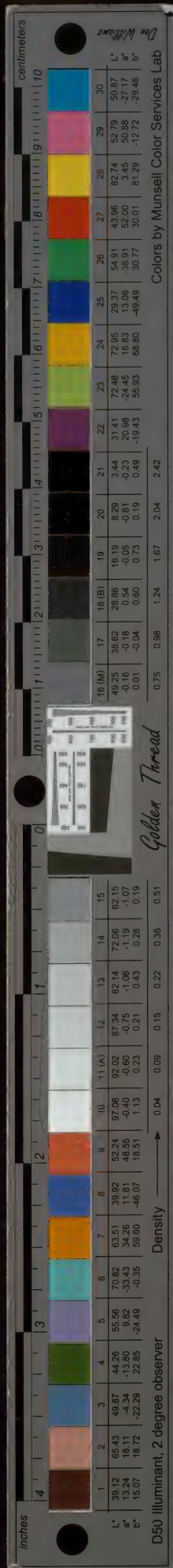
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The Ridgway Branch was ordered to be
closed during the month of August; that it
might be cleaned - Then wrote holiday was
awarded to each of the employees of the Company;
the time to be so arranged that Mr Smith or
or Mr Abbott should be always on duty -

The Committee on Finance reported a
communication from ^{John A. Mafford} asking for the reduction of
interest on the mortgage on property at 23rd Sanson
from 6 to 5 per cent. - Ordered to be allowed
in case the interest should be promptly paid -
This Committee, also, made the following report
with reference to the subject of salaries.

June 2 - 1881

The Finance Committee have carefully considered
the application of Benford Varnum, Assistant
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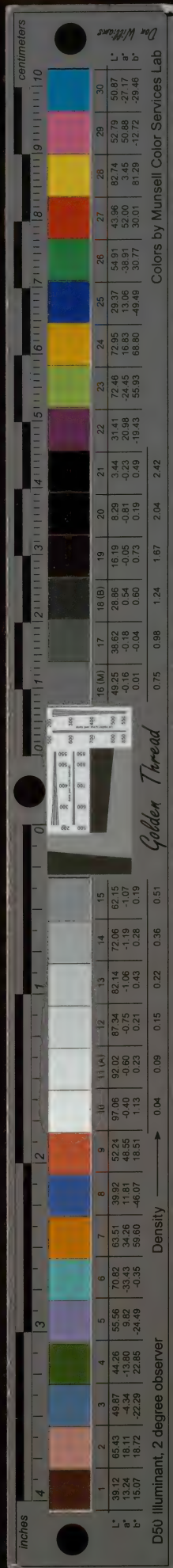
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The Ridgway Branch was ordered to be
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 might be cleaned - Three weeks holiday was
 awarded to each of the employees of the Company;
 the time to be so arranged that Mr Smith or
 or the Abbot should be always on duty -

The Committee on Finance reported a
 communication from ^{John A. Mansfield} asking for the reduction of
 interest on the mortgage on property at 23rd & Sanson
 from 6 to 5 per cent. - Ordered to be allowed
 in case the interest should be promptly paid -
 This Committee, also, made the following report
 with reference to the subject of salaries.

June 2 - 1888

The Finance Committee have carefully considered
 the application of Bedford Varnum, Assistant
 at the Ridgway Branch for an increase of
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Received Philadelphia, January
5th 1903 of James G. Barn
well, Librarian of the Libr
Company of Philadelphia, in
good condition the clock
referred to within.

William Gibson
Perkins.

4030 Market St.

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ment which he may have used in social circles to amuse those anxious concerning electrical experiments - I enclose with this a receipt enumerating this apparatus and the portrait of Franklin by West and the portraits of Wm Franklin and his wife - William was the last Royal Governor of New Jersey and should not be confounded with Wm Temple Franklin -

Yours sincerely
Thos. Stewson Bach

Mr L Smith
Librarian

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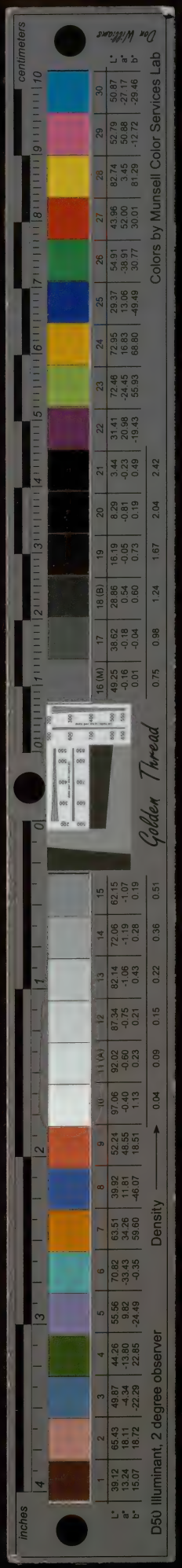
The Board accepted the custody of all the above articles on the terms proposed.

The Ridgway Branch was ordered to be closed during the month of August; that it might be cleaned - Three weeks holiday was awarded to each of the employees of the Company; the time to be so arranged that Mr Smith or Mr Abbot should be always on duty -

The Committee on Finance reported a communication from ^{John A. Humphreys} asking for the reduction of interest on the mortgage on property at 23^d Hudson from 6 to 5 per cent. - Ordered to be allowed in case the interest should be promptly paid - This Committee, also, made the following report with reference to the subject of salaries.

June 2 - 1881

The Finance Committee have carefully considered the application of Benford Varnum, Assistant in the Ridgway Branch for an increase of salary and also the whole subject of salaries



referred to them by the Board. They have con-
fined themselves to the salaries paid to those
employed in the Library proper, without
reference to janitor's watchman and the like.

They appended a list of salaries
now paid and the list which they recom-
mend for adoption by the Board. The
total increase suggested by the Committee
is \$700 - per annum; namely \$400 - from the funds
of the Ridgway Branch and \$300 - from the
Library Company -

An addition is recommended of

\$200	for	Mr Smith - Librarian
200	"	" Abbot
200	"	" Samuel
100	"	Owen

	<u>Present Salary</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Mr Smith	\$ 2800	\$ 3000
Abbot	1800	2000
Owen	600	700
Samuel	400	600
Miss McWilliam	480	480
Morton Shaw	208	208
Paul (boy)	208	208
Joseph "	130	130
	<u>\$ 6626</u>	<u>\$ 7326</u>

	<u>Now paid</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Library Co.	\$ 3418.	\$ 3718
Loganiam	700	700
Ridgway	2508	2908
	<u>\$ 3626</u>	<u>\$ 7326</u>

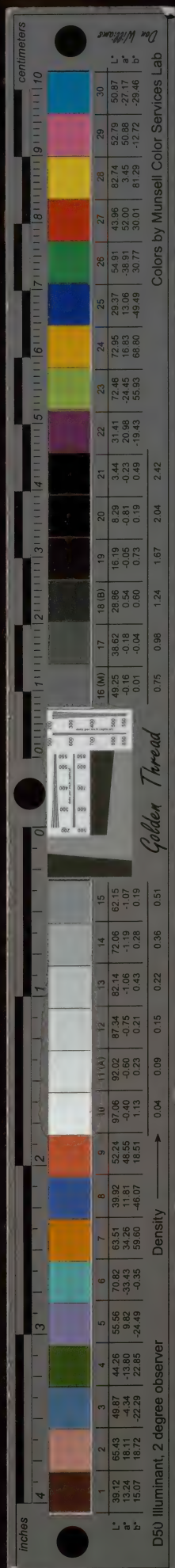
The Committee have also prepared a Schedule of the changes to be made to the different Librarians for payment of the Salaries. Some changes have been made from present arrangements where the Salaries are now changed up or down with the services rendered than seems desirable. As an instance of what is here referred to: Mr Abbott's Salary has been nearly all paid by the Ridgway Branch whilst his duties lie almost exclusively with the Phil & Library proper

(Signed) Jas. D. Biddah
John I Newbold
James H Hutchinson } Com^{rs}

Schedule

Changes to different funds to pay Salaries

	Ridgway	Loganum	Library Co	Total
L. Smith				
Present Salary	\$ 400	\$ 400	\$ 2000	\$ 2800
	1400	400	700	3000
J M Abbott	1600	200		1800
Proposed	300	200	1500	2000
B. Samuel	300	100		400
Proposed	500	100		600
B. Owen, Asst. Librarian			800	800
Proposed			700	700
Myself Librarian			480	480
No change			480	480
Maria Shaw			208	208
No change			208	208
Boys No change				
Paid	208			208
Joseph			130	130



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The proposed changes in salaries were adopted for the year beginning May 1 - 1887.

The following rates were drawn upon

the Treasury

L. C. 543	L. Smith, Librarian 1 mo -	150 -	
"	" " " " " "	16 - 67	
	R. G. Owen, Asst. Secy -	50	
	E. McClure " "	40	
	John Smith Junior " "	50	306 - 67
544	Panconet & Clarke, Messrs 185 - 19		
		102 - 40	
		10 - 50	
		<u>2 - 55 -</u>	270 - 64
	W. Snyder, keeping Law Bks	14 - 80	
	J. Burr & Co Stationery	21 -	
	Evening Bulletin, Advertising	19 - 75 -	
	Insurance " "	<u>27 - 15</u>	353 - 34
545 -	J. Blough, Portrait of H. W. Carter		175 -
546 -	Geo. H. Nelson, one year's salary		16 -

R B	99	L. H. Smith, Librarian 1 mo -	33 - 33	
		Geo. Abbott, Asst. Secy -	133 - 33	
		B. L. Smith " "	25 -	
		E. M. Grady Junior " "	50	
		J. Cole, Watchman	<u>38 - 75 -</u>	280 - 41
100		Adams Express Coal	403 - 75 -	
		Bell Telephone Co. Rent -	<u>21 - 66</u>	425 - 41

The following transfers were approved

N. P. Gordon's Est -	to	James H. Gordon
Isaac Morris's " "	"	John J. Morris
Geo W. Norris's " "	"	Wm J. Norris
John Gordon	"	James Grady
John Robbins's Est	"	Mrs Mary Kay Helms
Agnes J. Harper	"	Chas. M. Elting -

On motion adjourned
Geo. Harrison John S. S. S.

At a meeting of the directors
held July 7. 1881. Present

Myers Willing Hutchinson
 Cramond Rawle
 Buckley The Treasurer
 & the Secretary -

No quorum being present, adjourned

Geo. Hanson Fisher
Secretary

At a meeting of the directors
held August 4. 1881. Present

Myers Willing The Treasurer
 Cramond & the Secretary

No quorum being present, adjourned
Geo. Hanson Fisher
Secretary

At a meeting of the directors
held September 1. 1881. Present

Myers Biddle Hutchinson
 Newbold The Treasurer
 & the Secretary

No quorum being present, adjourned
Geo. Hanson Fisher
Secretary

At a meeting of the directors
held October 6. 1881. Present

Myers Willing Urshie
 Cramond Hutchinson
 Biddle The Treasurer
 Buckley & the Secretary

No quorum being present, adjourned
Geo. Hanson Fisher, Secy



At a Meeting of the Directors
held Oct^r 14 1881

Present - Olyus Hammond The Treasurer
 Hutchinson and
 Rawls The Secretary

No quorum being present - adjourned -
J. H. Fisher
Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors held
November 2 1881.

Present: Superswilling Buckley
 Gammett Hutchinson
 Biddle Rawle
 Wicks The Treasurer
 and the Secretary

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved -

The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

The Committee of Finance reported the death of Mr John Jay Smith the surviving surety on the bonds of Mr Lloyd Smith as Librarian and as Treasurer. It having been stated that Mr Smith's official bond as Treasurer was in the sum of \$1000 = and his official bond as Librarian in the sum of \$8000 = and that Mr Smith suggested that his liability should be increased the Committee recommended that new bonds should be given by Mr L. Smith, with Robert Pearson Smith and Horan J Smith as sureties, one conditioned for the faithful performance of his

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duties as Treasurer in the sum of Eight thousand dollars, and one conditioned for the faithful performance of his duties as Librarian, in the sum of five thousand dollars: which recommendation was adopted, and it was ordered that the bonds should be delivered as above.

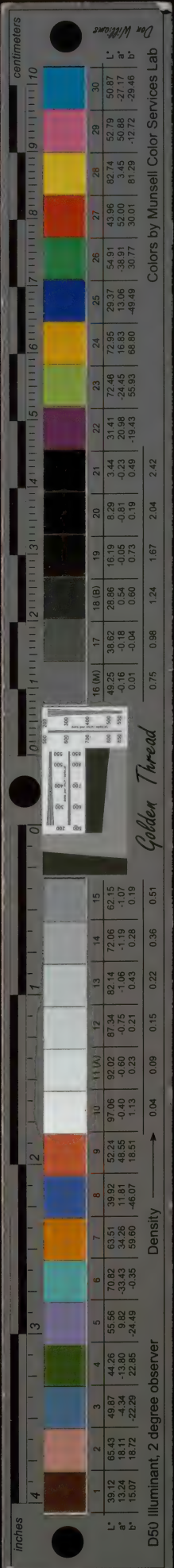
The Book Committee reported the following communication from the President of the Historical Society

"The Historical Society of Pennsylvania has once more to propose an exchange with the Library Company, or rather with the Loganian Library -

Within the last five years this Society has obtained by purchase, gift or exchange, over one hundred volumes of Colonial and Revolutionary newspapers. These volumes comprise the Mercury, Gazette Journal and other Ancient Philadelphia papers, which taken together afford an unbroken series of years from 1727 to 1785, but of no one of these papers have we a consecutive file, and we therefore turn to you as rich in duplicates, in the hope that by offering a fair equivalent you may enable us to accommodate the many persons who visit our Rooms to consult old newspapers, with a more complete file of our papers than we now have.

We have to offer you:

I A copy of the *Zionische*
Hägel the first book printed at Germantown
the first issue of Christopher Sowers press and



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the earliest American example of printing from German type. The Duke Harris, the great collector of American Poetry, recently paid forty dollars for a copy without a title page, a fault which reduces the value of such bibliographical curiosities more than one half. As an instance of this we would mention the Brinkley's copy of Lillkin's Edition of the Bible which lacking the title page sold for ten dollars.

II A complete set of Valentines Annual (in 28 volumes) the corner stone of the collection of the History of New York. The Brinkley's series of 24 volumes brought \$36. but it lacked the four rarest, one of which has recently sold for \$30, and this set cannot therefore be worth less than \$100=

III A series of 115 privately engraved portraits to which is attached the late Mr. Sabine's certificate that their market value is not less than \$3. each

IV And lastly we will give you in print and manuscript the Session Laws of Pennsylvania from 1730 to 1744, the only volume needed to make your set of laws complete from 1714 to 1770; the like of which cannot be found in any public institution in the country! We have no duplicates of the above printed Sessions covered by our offer, which we only obtained a few weeks ago and are induced to part with them solely because you now have the only series of laws accessible to the public, at all approaching completeness.

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In return we would ask
for the Loganian duplicate of the Pennsylvania
Gazette to 1831 & to. This file of papers begins
with No 40 and ends with No 1646, but lacks
no less than 808 numbers, and therefore con-
tains only 841 papers scattered over a period
of over thirty years. Were they consecutive, there
would be just sixteen years, and an idea
of their value compared with the several
items which we offer can be obtained
from the price realized by the only volume
of this period, covered by your file, in
the Brinley Collection. This was forty eight
dollars for a perfectly complete year, but
as the Loganian copy does not contain one
perfect year, its value must be very much
less.

Trusting that after due consideration we
may receive a favorable answer to what we
think is a generous offer.

I am,

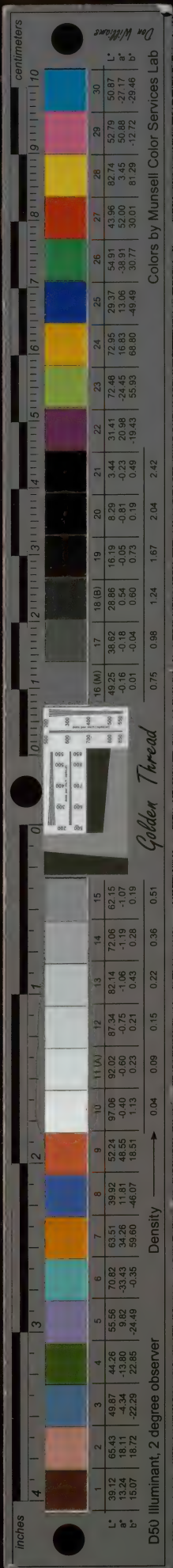
With great respect-

John A. Wallace

President of the Historical Society.

The Committee recommended the acceptance
of the above offer. The Recommendation was
approved and the offer accepted. The
Librarian was authorized to apply one
hundred dollars towards the completion of the
series of Geological Reports, now being collected.

The Committee on the Redway Branch
recommended that the gifts around the corner,
and the roof should be made water tight.



These repairs were authorized, and also the purchase of mowers for the back lot.

The Janitor of the Ridgway Branch was allowed the usual amount of coal.

Wm. J. Phillips was appointed Janitor of the Lower St. building.

The return of Mrs. J. Rhea Barton from Europe, after an absence of several years, having been announced.

Resolved that the Secretary be instructed to invite Mrs. J. Rhea Barton, sister of the late Mrs. James Rush to visit the Ridgway Branch of the Philadelphia Library at any time that may be agreeable to herself, when it will give the Directors great pleasure to receive her.

The following transfers were approved
E. Otto Kendall to Robert Bartholomew
Horne Binney's Est. to Chas. J. Goss.

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

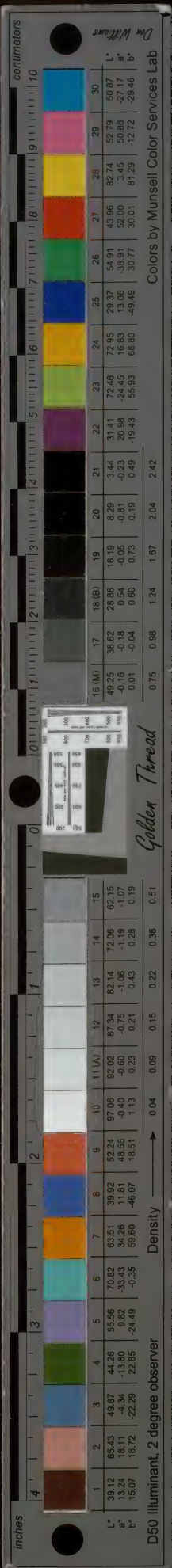
L. C. 535	L. P. Smith,	Librarian	1 mo	\$41.67
	"	Treasurer	"	16.66
	J. M. Abbot	Aferstane	"	125-
	B. Gowen	"	"	52.33
	Miss E. McClellan	"	"	40
	W. J. Phillips	Janitor		35-
	Matthew White	Gardener	dec	2.50
			4	
			4	
			4.80	20
				336.66

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L. 536	J. B. Austin	Coal	345-	
	Jas. Austin	Fire Wood	31.50	
	White washing & Cleaning	James's Rooms	15-	
	M. L. Frederick	Stationery	30-	
	J. L. Burr	do	5-	426.50
R. B. 109	L. P. Smith	1 mo's salary to rec-inse-	158.33	
	J. M. Abbot	" " " "	25-	
	B. Samuel	" " " "	41.67	
	E. M. Graham	" " " "	50	
	Jas. Cole	" " " "	38.75-	313.75-
" 110	E. M. Graham	Coal for James's house	40.50	
	Jas. Austin	Kindling wood	26.25-	
	M. White,	Gardener 4 weeks @ \$	24	90.75-
" 111	M. C. Ritchie	Amos's Annuitant	500-	
	A. M. Rush	" " "	180	
	L. C. Rush	" " "	180	
	Julius W. Biddle	" " "	900	
	Richard H. Rush	" " "	180	\$1940.

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Catalogus Bibliothecae Loganianae. Gift of heirs of J. W. Smith	} Gift of R. C. Clarke
Stanley's Sinai & Palestine	
Forster's Defense of Christian Faith	
Morris's British Thought	
Hall's Problems of Human Life	
Macmillan's Garden of the City	
Johnson's Christianity's Challenge	
Rawlinson's Origin of Nations	
Cuyler's Atonement Christian	
Cambridge's Christian Sacraments	
Young on Sabbath Sanctification	
Havergal's Poems.	



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Taylor's Gospel Miracles
 Speaker's Commentary - N. T. Vol. 3
 Goodwin's Works 12 vols
 MacNeill's Poems
 Comparative New Testament
 Weyl's: Historical Celeb. Peter's Test.
 Shedd on Romans
 Codex. Alexandrinus N. Test.
 Gieseler's Hours with the Bible
 Cairn's Unbelief in 18th Cent.
 Beckell's Hebrew Grammar
 Southery's Spain
 Merivale's Conquest of Roman Empire
 Church Hymn Book
 Pusey, What is of Faith
 Row's Reasons for Believing
 Wilson's Works - 8 Volumes
 Old Paths
 Life of St. Lawrence
 Life of Bp. Gusewood
 Thoughtful Hours.

Life of R. C. Clark Esq

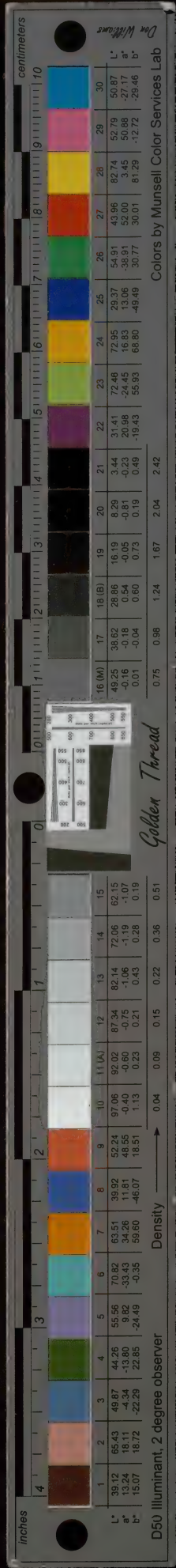
Valdes El Saltero
 Valdes. Traductio
 Laurence's Sermons
 Attorney General's Opinions
 Am. Bar Ass'n Reports 1878-80
 Patent Office - Rules
 " " Statutes

} " A. Jno. J. Bell Esq
 " " J. H. Montgomery Esq
 " " The Atty General
 " " F. Rawls Esq
 " " The Comm^y
 " " " "

Sailing Directions, Baltic Sea
 Bradstreet
 Smithsonian Institution Misc. Col^{ns}
 N. Y. Produce Exchange
 Chief of Engineers Report

" " Capt. DeKrafft
 " " The Publishers
 " " The Institution
 " " " Exchange
 " " " Chief

Paris Universal Exhibition. British Section. Gift of The Com ^r	" " " Exchange
N.Y. Produce Exchange	" " " Exchange
Jefferson Medical College Hospital	" " The Trustees
Marsh on Odontomylæ	" " Genl. Humphreys
Hydraulics of the Mississippi	" " Maj. Elliott
Whiting on Longitudes	" " Capt. DeKroff
Ontario Education Exhibit	" " The Govt
Hodges Forest-Tree planters Manual	" " The Author
Brewster's Addresses	" " " "
Biographical Sketches	" " Hon Eli H Rice
Geraldine's Documents	" " A. Fitzgibbon Esq
Charleston Year Book	" " The Mayor
Silliman's Gallies	" " " Anchor
Robtson's Danish Islands	" " W. Bruns Esq
Garrows Military Customs	" " The Author
Purroy's Memorial	" " C. J. Jones Esq
Neill's Memoir by Shippen	" " The Author
St Andrew's Society Catalogue	" " " Society
Phillips's Certain Old Almanacs	" " " Author
Franklin by Stevens	" " L. P. Smith Esq
Bibliothèque Nationale	" " The Library
Tamilton Public Library	" " " "
Congregational Documents 23 vols	" " " Government
Pamphlets 1 vol	" " Hens of J. J. Smith
How to write the History of a Parish	" " W. J. Potts Esq
Wolurch College - Cat. of MSS	" " The College
Old Southwicks and its People	" " Dr Hays
Indian Languages	" " J. W. Powell Esq
American Ephemeris	" " Prof. Newcomb
Rich. Catalogue of Books L. 1832	" " Hens of J. J. Smith
City of Philadelphia	" " " "
N. Jersey Archives Vol. 2	" " N. J. Hist. Society
Council Journals 2 vols	" " The Councils
Ecological Survey of Penna 6 vols	" " The Commission



Primitive Liturgies Gift of J. O. Rodney Esq.
 Grothmann Rich.
 Treasurer

At a meeting of the directors held Dec 7. 1881
 Present:

Myers Willing	Buckley
Hare	Mitchell
Grammel	Sturgeson
Biddle	Rawls
Newbold	Platt
Wick	The Treasurer
	and The Secretary

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

The Committee of Finance made the following report:

" At the last meeting of the Board it was
 " ordered that the new bond for the Treasurer
 " should be for \$8000 and of Librarian \$5000.
 " This was on the supposition that these bonds
 " had previously been for \$1000 and \$8000 re-
 " spectively. When referring more minutely
 " to the existing bonds Mr Smith found there
 " were three bonds viz:

"	As Treasurer	\$8000 =
"	" Librarian	\$8000 =
"	" " Log & Liby	\$1000 =

" As one of the new bondsmen was about
 " to leave the City Mr Smith caused to be
 " executed three bonds of the same tenor

And for the same amount as the last, viz -

Treasurer \$8000 =

Librarian \$8000 =

" of Log² Liby \$1000 =

And handed them to the Chairman of the Finance Committee; they are now in the custody of the Secretary, subject to the approval of the Board

The bonds were approved and executed -

The bill of Messrs Furness & Co., Architects, for professional services in the erection of the Grand, was approved -

The Executive Committee reported an application from the Janitor for permission to have erected certain closets in the basement, at a cost of about \$20 = and the application was approved and permission granted -

Upon the recommendation of the Book Committee, the Librarian was authorized to remit \$150. to Mr Edward Gallun, of London, and \$100 = to Mr F W Christman of New York and to charge these sums against the Ridgway Branch in its account with the Library Company also, to purchase, on account of the Ridgway Branch & County Institutes, three Atlases & 2 hand maps

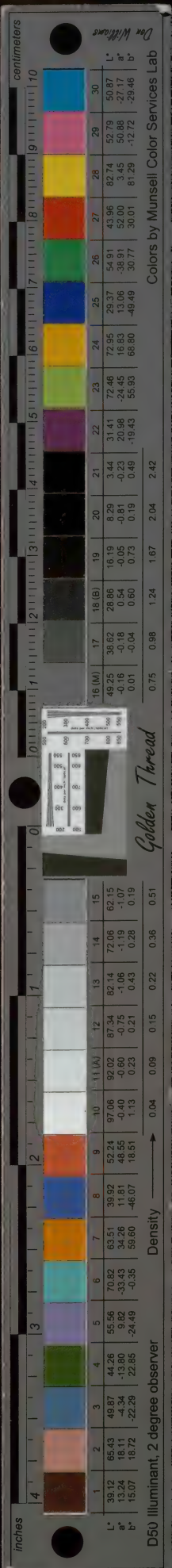
And also to subscribe to the Santa Society of Cambridge Maps^{as}

The Secretary read the following Communication -

572 So Broad St - Nov 24 1887

E. H. Fisher Esq: Sir,

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I pray you and the gentlemen
directors of the Library Company to excuse this
late answer to their polite invitation - I should
very much like to visit the Library, but I am
far from well and could not, at present,
bear the fatigue; but I hope before long
to have the pleasure of seeing it - And now
remain, with thanks for the kind attention

truly yours

Lucas R. Barton

Myers Bidwell and Brewster were
appointed a Committee to adjust the
accounts between the Logans Library
and the Library Company -

The following transfers were approved
Samuel Jackson's Est to Emlen Hutchinson
C. S. Boncher " Thos Stewardson

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer
Library Co 557 L. P. Smith, Librarian 11110 41.67

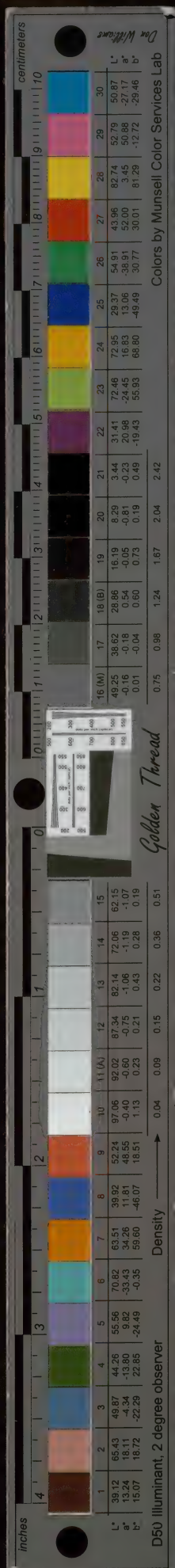
Treas	"	16-66	
Jm Abbott, hfs	"	125	
Bly Nov	"	58-83	
Miss E. M. Clellan	"	40	
W. J. Phillips, Janitor	"	50	
M. White, Gardener & works		<u>46</u>	347-66
" 558 E. M. Grant, Carpenter work		164	
F. K. Ward, fire wood		40-50	
J. S. Burr & Co, Catalogue Cards		85	
Phila Granite Co, paving		<u>26-84</u>	258-44

RB 112 & R Smith 1 mo	158.33
Em Abbot "	25-
B Samuel "	41 67
E. McGraw "	50
Jas. Cox "	37.50 312.50
113 Am Brogan, Engineer for boiler	60.
Mon & Bro. Manner	55-
F. Viflo Repairs	10.50
M. White, Gardener	28
Joseph Crandall, Repairs	32.78 181.28
115 Current Expenses to be accounted for at the end of the year	400-

The following Presents were received for
which the Librarian was directed to thank
the donors.

Catalogue of N.-J. Plants Gift of	Prof. Cook
War of the Rebellion, & etc "	Hon S.-J. Randall
Geology of the Black Hills "	The Secy of Interior
Survey of 100 th Meridian (dup ^d) "	St Mitchell
Volcanic Memorial "	L. Woolcott Esq
Harvard Catalogue "	The University
Sparkling Jewels by Thut "	The Author
Lewis's Annals of Penn ^a "	" "
Edw. Cole's Life "	Edw. Cole Esq
Poetry of Poland "	J & Rosenbaum Esq
Contagious diseases of animals "	Dep. of Agriculture

On Motion adjourned
JH Nelson
Secy



At a Meeting of the Directors
 held January 5th 1882. Present:
 Messrs Willing Buckley
 Ware Mitchell
 Cramond Hutchinson
 Brindle Rawls
 Woodold Plate
 Twister The Treasurer
 and the Secretary

The Minutes of the last Meeting were
 read and approved.

The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer
 were read.

The Executive Committee reported that at
 the request of Henry Handus Esq. a tenant of
 one of the offices in the Law Building, they
 had opened a window on the north side of
 his office; which cost \$20. This action
 was approved.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch
 reported that shelving in the Reading Room
 was to be desired, and that they had re-
 ceived an estimate for its cost, of \$563.
 The matter was referred to this Committee
 with power to act.

The following transfers were approved

Kingsdon Whittemore	to	J. Lewis Moore
Chas J. Goss	"	Mary Pennington Smith
Est of Francis Hopkinson	"	Christ Church Hot Phila
R Francis Collins Esq	"	Charles M. Sharpless
C. E. D'Inverness Esq	"	Eugene R. Christman

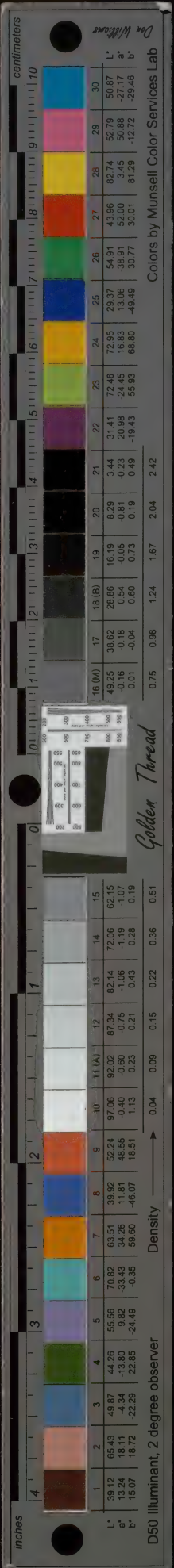
The following orders were drawn upon the

Treasurer:

LC 537	L. P. Smith, Librarian	41.67	
"	Treasurer	16.66	
	Bro. M. Abbot Apostate	125-	
	B. G. Brown "	58.33	
	Miss E. McClellan "	40	
	W. Phillips Janitor	50	331.66
580	Farmington Architects	75.36-	
	Frank Watson, New Windsor Law Building	21.25-	
	Jas. Cole Smot	128.60	
	Ice " 12 mos	24.37	
	W. A. Fawc. Rubber Stamp	6	254.57
RB 115	L. P. Smith, Librarian	158.33	
	J. M. Abbot, Apostate	25-	
	B. Samuel "	41.67	
	E. M. Grath, Janitor	50	
	Jas. Cole, Watchman	38.75-	313.75-
116.	Jas. C. Taylor, Plumbing work	115-	
	Jas. Buice, Hardware	13.38	
	B. Stevenson etc, Lumber	5-52	
	Mrs. F. Ornel, Rug	58	
	Bill Telephone Co. Rent	30,	
	Kumtamboten Sew Co.	11.27	238.17

The following Presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Tanagra figurines. Gift of	J. D. Sargeant Esq
N. Jersey Archives, Vol 2 " "	State Librarian
Bathin. Two Years on U.S. Navy " "	Auction
Explanation of Birds Map " "	C. Rogersby
Readings on deck of How W. Bigher " "	State Printer
Signal Office Reports 2 vols " "	The Chief
U.S. Geol. Survey Rocky Mts Vol 4. " "	Major Powell



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Mrs. Donaldson, gift of
 Harlan's Edition of the Sagadahoc, gift of
 Cat. of works relating to the law of Nations " " Lib^y State Dep^t
 Evelyns in America " " J. O. S. C. E.
 Gasparin, Oresans politiques " " Ann^l de l'Industrie

Adopted

J. A. Fisher

Secy

At a Meeting of the Directors held February 2 1882

Present; Messrs Willing Buckley
 Gammon Mitchell
 Bidwell Hutchinson
 Newbold Rusk
 Wicks Platt

The Treasurer & The Secretary

The minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved. The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch reported that they had given a contract for the shelving, previously referred to, to one Ketchum at the price of \$43.50

The Librarian was authorized to have the place ~~around~~ the fire place, in the Librarian's Room, as exhibited in a design, provided the cost should not exceed \$85.

Mr. Clifford Lewis was authorized to give a lease for five years of the premises at 148 North Eighth St. at a rent of not

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The Secretary was directed to send to Grover Hunter Esq. the Board's special thanks for his gift of *Der Deutsch-französische Krieg* in 20 vols.

The Committee appointed respectively by the Directors of the Library Co. and the Trustees of the Logansian Library to adjust the Accounts between them, reported that under the Settlement made on the occasion of removing the Logansian Library to Broad & Christian Streets, the sum of \$600 was due yearly to the Ridgway Branch for Rent and Expenses, payable on the 1st of January. They recommended that a Logansian Order for that amount, might be drawn upon the Treasurer.

The former Committee last year reported that there was a balance due by the Logansport Library to the Library Company on Book Account of \$91. As the Library Company had imparted nothing during the past twelve months for account of the Logansport Library, this balance was unchanged.

Jas Biddle } Com^{ee} of
 John Newbold } Library Co-

H Gammon } Com^{ee} of
 Asaph Wight } Logannetiz'

The foregoing orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

The following rates have been drawn upon the Treasurer

1881 & Smith, Librarian	1 mo.	41.67	
Treasr	"	16.66	
Jm Abbot - Assistant	"	185	
B & Owen	"	58.33	
Miss E. M. Chellam	"	40.	
W Phillips Janitor	"	50	331.66

LC	562	Curly & Joy. painting	105-58	
		E. M. Grath, Carpenter work	20-	
		J. W. Hutchins, repairs to Bldg.	11-50	
		Jos. S. Burr & Co, Stationery	11-57	153-59

RB		L. P. Smith, Librarian 1 mo.		158.33
		G. M. Abbot, Asst. Librarian "		25-
		B. Samuel " "		41.67
		E. M. Grath Janitor "		50
		Jos. Coll. Watchman "		38.75
				313.75

The following transfer was approved
John Jay Smith's Est. to Rev. Benj. J. Young Esq.

The following presents were received,
for which the Librarian was directed to
thank the donors.

Law Society Calendar, Gift of	The Society
Century Papers 1887 " "	" "
Am. Geographical Society, " "	" "
Journal 1870-78 }	
History of Milwaukee, 2 vols " "	The Author
Annals " " 1 vol " "	
Agriculture Report " "	The Commissioner
Banquiers etc " "	The Author
Collec. de Traitados " "	J. Baker Esq
Catalogue Phila Library }	Mrs Clark
Annual Reports }	
Life of Bliss " "	Whitely
Gibbs Family " "	J. W. Gibbs Esq
San Dominick " "	Edw. San Dominick
Monks, Popes &c " "	The Author
Internal Rev Rep " "	The Comr

U. S. Census Survey }
 Atlantic " Pilot } 24th of
 Bk of North America " "
 State Board of Health ^{Map} " "
 Set of Diplomatic Review " "
 works. Deutsch-Fran-
 zösische Krieg } " "

The Superintendent

The Bank

The Board

The Society

J. W. Hunter Esq

A meeting of the Directors March 2^d 1882
 Present

Mr. Welling

Cramond

Middle

Newell

Mister

Brooklyn

Robinson

Rawle

Platt

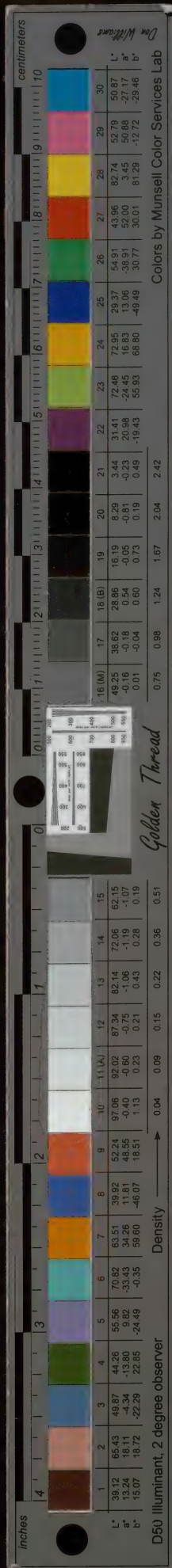
Secy & Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were
 read & approved

The Reports of the Librarian & Treasurer were
 read & ordered to be filed. The average daily
 attendance during Feb was 566, the largest
 since a record has been kept.

The Executive Committee reported that,
 owing to the vigilance and energy of Mr. Allen
 supported by Benjamin S. Owen a library thief
 had been caught, handed over to the police, indicted
 tried, and convicted & sentenced to one year's
 imprisonment. He is not supposed to have
 carried off any books, but he stole an
 overcoat, two umbrellas &c. for redemption of rent

Also that an application had been
 received from Charles Hart of the Law
 Buildings. The subject was discussed and
 the Board concluded that there was no
 sufficient reason for a reduction of price.



The best & most valuable were afterwards taken back by Mrs E. P. Smith

Also that an offer had been received from Elizabeth P. Smith, Robert P. Smith, Horace J. Smith & Lloyd P. Smith of the autographs and manuscripts of their father the late John Jay Smith, sometime Librarian of the Library and a trustee of the Dominican Library. It was stated by the acting Executive that if the Directors do not want them they are to be offered to the Historical Society. The offer was accompanied by a letter from M. W. B. Thomas who had been employed by the family to examine the papers, in which he states that "they cover the entire period of Pennsylvania history. There are over 4000 documents, letters, papers &c from 1700 to 1800 containing many papers of great public interest relating to the city of Philadelphia. The division of lots among the early inhabitants and the bonds they gave in payment for them, surveys of several of the original tracts of land on which the city is built and the plotting of the same into lots by the early surveyors, Leach, Lukens, Heap, Taylor & others. The collection is unique & invaluable for historical reference and study." On motion of Dr. Fisher, seconded by Mr. Rawle, the collection was accepted & the thanks of the Board were ordered to be returned to the Donors. The matter of the suitable arrangement & proper preservation of these papers was referred to the Executive Committee, with power to act; and the Committee were ^{also} authorized to employ a suitable person to examine and report upon the Rush family papers now stored in the basement of Ridgway Branch in sixteen boxes.

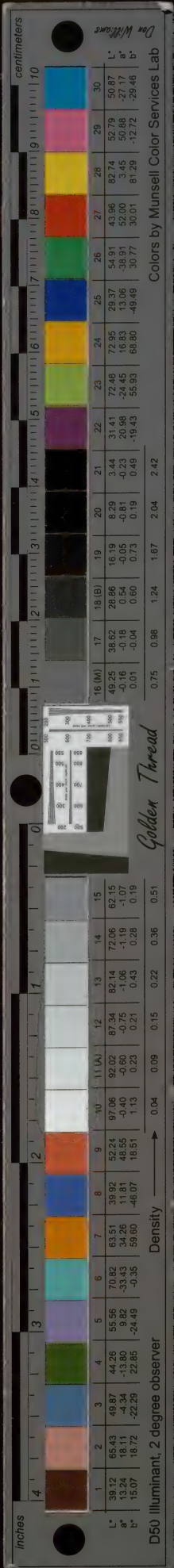
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The Committee on Finance reported that a U.S. 3 1/2 % Bond No 49875 belonging to the Library Co had been called by the Treasury Dept. the interest to cease April 8 - when on motion it was Resolved That Lloyd P. Smith Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to assign Bond No 49875 of the continued list of 1881 U.S. Registered Stock now standing in the name of this Company.

Also that a Bond of the State of Penna. for 500. - belonging to the Library Co - matured on the 1st inst, the same being the bequest of the late Charles A. Paulson, whereupon it was on motion Resolved That Charles Milling, Chairman be & he is hereby authorized & empowered to execute a power of attorney on behalf of this Co. to enable the Treasurer to receive the reimbursement of the sum of five hundred dollars of the Loan of the Commonwealth of Penna. now standing in the name of the Co.

The Book Committee reported that there is a Balance of £ 94. 3. 8 due Edward G. Allen, our Agent in London & they recommended that a remittance of £ 125. - out of the funds of the Reading Branch be made to him, which was agreed to. Also that a remittance of \$ 150. - be made to R. W. Christie N. York. Agreed to.

The Com. on the R. Branch reported that readers & students are annoyed by the noise made by persons walking over the bare floor, which could be remedied by laying down strips of cocoa matting at an expense of not over \$ 250. - The matter was



referred back to the Committee, with power to act.

They recommended that the Librarian be authorized to engage a messenger boy at not over \$3.00 a week for the Ridgeway Branch. Agreed to.

Also that they had authorized the expenditure of \$25.00 to put the grounds in order for the season, which was approved.

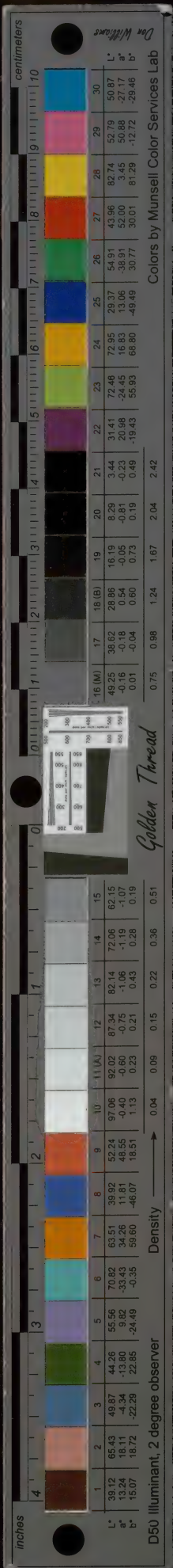
The following Orders were drawn on the Treasurer

No 563	Lloyd P. Smith	Librarian 1 month	41.67
"	"	Treasurer "	16.66
	George M. Abbot	Assistant "	125.-
	W. G. Owen	" "	58.33
	Edw. McLellan	" "	40.-
	M. Phillips	Janitor "	50.-
			\$ 331.66
No 564	Donaghy & Sons	Coal	13.50
	W. F. McGinn	Firewood	13.50
	Water Rent	5 th St	26.-
	"	Locust St	6.60
	E. McGrath	Repairs	25.20
			\$ 84.80
R. Branch No 118	J. Cronston	Repairs	15.-
	Water Rent	Librarian	19.35
	"	Janitor	8.-
" " 119	J		\$ 42.35
	Lloyd P. Smith	Librarian	158.33
	George M. Abbot	Assistant	25.-
	W. Samuel	"	41.67
	Ed. McGrath	Janitor	50.-
	James Coll	Workman	35.-
			\$ 310.-

The following transfers were approved
 Samuel H. Austin to Sarah W. Gillman
 James M. Robt " J. Wm White
 Mary Shields dit " James A. Freeman
 James A. Freeman " Sarah R. Clapp
 Paul A. Davis Jr " Alice S. A. Newlin
 Stephen S. Price trustee " William Hunt, M.D.
 M. S. R. W. Rulon " J. Archer Rulon

The following Presents were rec^d for which
 the Librarian was directed to thank the
 donors;

Logans Charge of 1737 and more than
 200 other volumes from the heirs of Prof. Jay Smith
 Boyd's D.C. Directory from P.M. Hudekoper
 Adirondack Survey " Secy of State Albany
 Geographical Society Papers " The Society
 Trans. Mining Engineers " " Institute
 Incorrect Latitudes " E. R. Shafter
 Crockett Catalogue " Jones, M. G. & S.
 Paup's Family Record " R. R. Paup
 Cincinnati City Bulletins " S. W. Paup
 U. S. Geological Survey " Maj. Powell
 Chaderton Proceedings " Mayor
 Ist. Hist of M. Lake vol 13 " The Governor
 Finance Report 1887 " Secy of Treasury
 N. J. Archives vol 3 " The State
 War of V. Bellum " " S. J. Randall
 Land Law Reports " Commissioner
 Revised Statutes " S. J. Randall
 Lea's Translations re " Henry C. Lea
 Reports Dep^y Interior " Secretary
 Report Bureau Miners " Maj. Powell
 " Re Internal Affairs " Note Printed
 Adjourned



422 At a meeting of the Directors April 6 1882
Present

Messrs. Gramond

Middle

Arnold

Mister

Buckley

Mitchell

Robinson

Platt

+ Treasurer

The reports of the Librarian & Treasurer
were read & ordered to be filed.

Report of the Executive Committee

By a Resolution of the Board agreed to at
the last meeting the subject of the proper
arrangement and preservation of the late
John Jay Smith's collection of historical
manuscripts and those of Dr. Rush having
been referred to the Executive Committee
with power to act, they caused the whole
to be placed in the Directors Room at
the Ridgway Branch. The former
collection having been already examined
and reported on by a competent person
(Prof. Dr. H. B. Thomas) the Committee
authorised him also to make a preliminary
examination of the papers of Dr. James¹ Rush
and his father Benjamin Rush.

His Report is as follows:

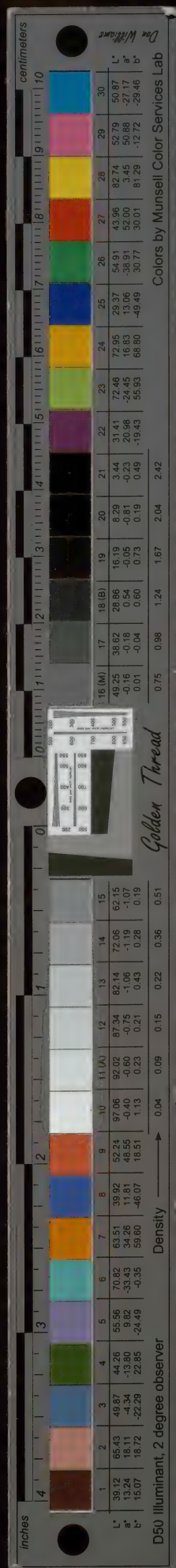
Phila. Mar 7th 1882

Dear Sir

I have made a preliminary
examination of the "Rush Papers" contained
in fifteen large Cases - they comprise
the Manuscripts Letters Papers Pamphlets &c

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of the Celebrated Dr. Benjamin Rush, during
and after the Revolution - a large collection
of notes and letters addressed to him during
the prevalence of the yellow fever in
Philadelphia in the Year 1793 - A
large collection of Medical, Historical &
Political Pamphlets, being the United Collection
of both father and son, Covering the Period
from 1742 to the death of the late
Dr James Rush in 1869. Many of these
pamphlets are unique not in Philadelphia
Library - Americana not mentioned in Sabin
and unknown to the Bibliographer - a
Collection made by Dr James Rush commencing
about 1828 of ephemeral publications,
play bills, broadsides, Posters, Circulars Card's
Carriers addresses, advertisements & is of
great interest and illustrates the history
of the day, There are also Card's of
invitations to the Balls Parties, Dinners
&c given by Mrs. Rush and the replies
of many Celebrities accepting the invitations.
These fugitives are of great value in the
social history of Philadelphia.

The Medical and other
manuscripts of the Rush family, papers
of family history, Controversies of the elder
Dr Rush are of great value, The Collection
should be Carefully studied, arranged in
portfolios or single sheet folds, Classified
and catalogued - this will require months
of Labor and expert workmanship.



Regarding the cost of this work it is difficult to make an estimate. I think however, that sixteen hundred dollars would pay me to arrange both the Rush Collections and that of the late John Jay. Ridgway which has been presented to the Library.

Yours Respectfully

Ch. H. B. Thomas

To Dr. Mitchell

Chairman Ex. Com.

A personal inspection of these papers by the Committee fully confirmed the high estimate placed by Prof. Thomas on the value of Dr. Rush's Mss., particularly as throwing light on the history of medicine in this country. Under the will of Dr. Rush his "manuscripts, copyrights and papers & also those of my father Dr. Benjamin Rush in my possession" are to be "placed in a room in the new building & there safely kept."

Accordingly the Committee recommend:

1. That a Manuscript Department of the Library be created of which the two valuable collections of Dr. Rush & John Jay Smith shall be the basis: and that the Director's Room at the A. S. Way Branch be set aside for the safe keeping of these & any future acquisitions of the same kind.

2. That the offer of Prof. Thomas to arrange & catalogue these two collections for \$1,600. be accepted.

3. That the printed pamphlets found among the autographs be suitably bound & placed in the Memorial Room.

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On motion, the report of the Committee was unanimously agreed to and its recommendations agreed to be carried out.

The Finance Committee reported that Bills for gas furnished to the tenants of houses formerly standing at Locust & Juniper Sts had been presented to the amt. of \$29.64; on motion they were ordered to be paid.

The Book Committee reported that the Total amt. expended for Books & Binding during the past year was \$7,013.04. The previous years expenditure for this Act was \$5,342.31.

The Committee on the R. Branch reported that they had authorized Clifford Lewis Agent to raise the rent of certain properties in his charge, & that for the coming year Mr Lewis thinks about 10% additional can be looked for from the Rush Estate.

On motion of Dr. Myster it was Resolved, that the Executive Committee of the month be authorized to make special arrangements with any stockholder engaged in a systematic course of study or literary pursuit as to the number of books he may require in excess of those allowed by law. Such books shall be neither novels nor works in current demand; they shall be applied for in writing & returned upon demand; this authority to continue for one year.

On motion of Dr. Mitchell it was Resolved, that the Executive Committee be requested to report as to what would be the cost of keeping the Library open on Sunday afternoon as a Reading Room.



Permission was given to Dr. Mitchell to print certain extracts from the MS. diary of Dr. B. A. Rush.

The Librarian having requested permission to put nine doors to certain cases in the periodical room and elsewhere at an expense of \$80.00, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

Messrs Biddle & Platt were appointed a committee to examine the Treasurer and Librarian's accounts.

Judge Sharswood was appointed, in accordance with the power conferred for this purpose by the Bye-Laws on the Directors, to preside at the Annual Meeting; and Mr. Ruole was requested to explain to the meeting & advocate the passage of the proposed Bye-Law authorizing the Directors to sell forfeited shares.

The following Orders were drawn on the Treasurer:

No 565 for three hundred & thirty one ⁶⁶/₁₀₀ Dollars
to pay Lloyd W. Smith Librarian 1 month 41.67

Treasurer	"	16.66
Geo. M. Allen Assistant	"	125.-
B. G. Brown	"	58.33
E. McLellan	"	40.-
N. Phillips Janitor	"	50.-
		\$ 331.66

No 566 for one hundred and seventy eight ⁸⁰/₁₀₀ Dollars to pay gas bill 3rd 130.80
Bell Telephone Co for 6 m 30.-
Benny & Mauston Door Springs 17.30
\$ 178.10

Ridgway Branch
No 120 Lloyd R. Smith Librarian 158.33
George M. Abbot Assistant 25.-
Ed. Samuel " 41.67
Ed: McMath Janitor 50.-
James Bell Watchman 28.75

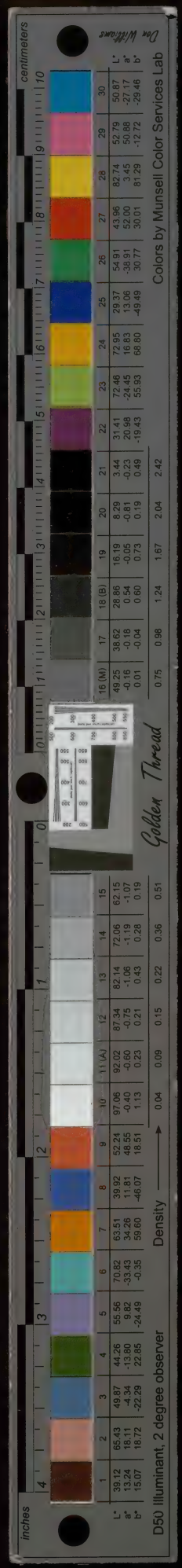
No 121 Adams & Storrie Coal 150.-
J. H. Amocker Sate 12.-
J. Panamaker uniform 16.25
J. S. Clark Ditter 14.-

No 122 W. H. B. Thomas for services in the MS. Department \$100.-

The following transfers were approved:
Sarah L. Keene's Est to Ellen K. Mitchell
John P. Brooks " " Julia W. Brock
Wm J. Wilkinson " " Geo. K. Wilkinson
Lead: McKersham " " A. L. Snowden

The following presents were recd for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors:

Presents
Paris Universal Exhibition Reports U. S. Commissioners 5 vols Gift. Hon. Coml. J. Randall
Penna. Archives vol XI " " W. S. Quay
7 vols Reports Chief Signal Officer Gift of the Chief Officer
52 vols " Board of Education, Am " " " Board
U. S. Official Register vol 1 " " " Sec. Interior
Practical Education Fund 2 vols " " " Trustees
New Orleans Directory 1881 " " Postmaster Hindekerper
Indianapolis " 1881 " " " "



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Right Use of Speech 2 copies } Gift of the Author
 Manoa " " } Mrs. S. C. Savage
 Formation of belief " " " "
 Mottos for the New Year " " " "
 Memoranda by Fisk & Hatch Gift of
 Fisk & Hatch
 Cat. of Brookline Library Gift of Librarian
 Digest Laws Phila Gift of the City
 Astronomical Obs. 1877 " " Admiral Sands
 Boston Athenaeum Cat vol 4 Gift of
 the Librarian
 Report of Commissioner on Indian Affairs
 Gift of the Secy. Interior
 Reports 1880, 1881 Geology of N. Jersey
 Gift of Geologist.
 Adjourned

At a Meeting of the Directors April 27 1882
 Present

Mrs. Willing	Burckinson
Cramond	Rawle
Biddle	Platt
Buckley	& Treasurer

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the accounts of the Treasurer & Librarian reported that they had performed that duty and found the same correct.

The Cash Balance of Library Co is	1,549.09
R. S. French	824.82.61
Contingent Fund	1,801.10
Librarian	73.79
" R. B.	235.31

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The appraised value of the Furniture
unsold of the R. Brand is \$1612.00
There has been expended out of the income
of the Library Co during the past three
years for fitting up the new Building
at Locust St the sum of \$5861.08

The Executive Committee reported that the
drain at the S.E. corner of the Building
is filled up. The matter was referred back
to the Exec. Com., with power to act

On motion of Mr Rawle it was
Resolved, That it is deemed inexpedient
to present before the Members at the
next meeting the proposed By Law as to
the sale of shares for non-payment
of dues.

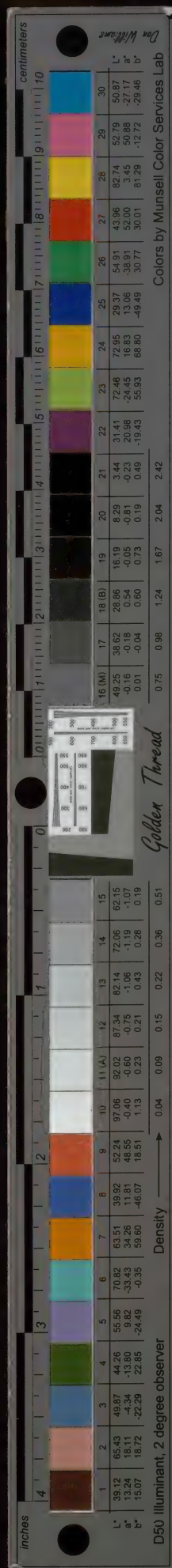
The Secretary, Mr G. A. Fisher, being
out of town, Mr George M. Abbott was
chosen to act as Secretary pro tem. at
the Annual Meeting on Monday next

May 1st 1882

At the Annual meeting of the Members
of this Company held this day at 3
o'clock P.M. in the Library Building,
Judge Tharwood was called to
the Chair

The Secretary, Mr G. A. Fisher
being absent, The Secretary pro tem
read to the Meeting the Report
of the Directors.

Report



LIBRARY COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.

THE Board of Directors respectfully report to the Members, that the improvements which were under consideration at the time of the last annual meeting have been successfully carried out. Two wells have been placed in the garden, with the design of improving the drainage of the building, and have been found to answer fully the purpose for which they were constructed; and the piazza at the rear of the building not only affords a cool and pleasant retreat for readers in warm weather, but also rendered the Library itself much more comfortable during last summer than it was during the preceding summer.

The following is a statement of the receipts and expenses of the Library Company during the past year:—

Books,	\$3,855 85	
Binding,	718 75	\$4,574 60
Salaries,		3,984 96
Expenses and repairs,		2,530 17
Insurance,		7 50
Taxes and water-rent,		1,582 26
Fitting up Locust street building,		2,613 11
Balance,		1,548 43
		<u>\$16,841 03</u>
Balance from last year,		\$1,082 33
Interest and ground-rents,		196 33
Rents of Central News building,		4,000 00
“ Law building,		2,618 05
Subscriptions,		272 00
Yearly payments,		7,672 32
U. S. Continued 6's paid off,		1,000 00
		<u>\$16,841 03</u>

The Trusts committed to the Company—that is to say, the Loganian Library and the Ridgway Branch—are self-supporting; and the latter, as will be seen by the following figures, was enabled to expend \$2695.14 during the past year for books and binding. The amount of the Ridgway fund now on hand will warrant the appropriation of a still larger sum for the same object,—say at least \$5000—during the coming year.

Loganian Library.

Books,	\$32 05	
Binding,	17 20	\$49 25
Salaries,		700 00
Rent to Ridgway Branch,		600 00
Temporary loan returned,		1,000 00
Balance,		501 32
		<u>\$2,850 57</u>
Balance,		\$701 60
Bucks county rents,		936 38
Interest,		1,212 59
		<u>\$2,850 57</u>

Ridgway Branch.

Annuities,		\$2,980 00
Books,	\$2,383 27	
Binding,	311 87	
Manuscript Department,	100 00	
		<u>2,795 14</u>
Salaries,		3,722 91
Expenses and repairs,		2,620 14
Contingent fund,		825 49
Balance,		8,482 61
		<u>\$21,426 29</u>

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Balance from last year,	\$5,742 29
Income of real estate,	13,630 17
Sales of furniture,	340 00
Rent from Loganian Library,	600 00
Interest,	41 58
Sales of "Rush on Voice,"	72 25
Temporary loan Loganian repaid,	1,000 00
	<u>\$21,426 29</u>

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE, BOOK CIRCULATION, &c., FOR LIBRARY YEAR
ENDING APRIL 30TH, 1882.

Locust Street Building.

Number of days open 309.

Whole number of persons using or visiting the Library :—

Members, males,	32,781
" females,	31,645
Visitors, males,	64,426
" females,	25,806
	<u>7,617</u>
Messengers,	33,423
	<u>6,318</u>
Total,	<u>104,167</u>

Largest monthly attendance, March, 1882,	14,998
Smallest " " August, 1881,	3,021
Average monthly attendance 8655+	

Largest daily attendance, February 25th, 1882,	1,035
Smallest " " August 4th, 1881,	56
Average daily attendance 336+	

Attendance for year ending April 30th, 1882,	104,167
" " " " " 1881,	83,417
Difference in favor of this year,	<u>20,750</u>

Whole number of books taken out,	36,663
Daily average, 112+	

Whole number of works added to the Library :—

By purchase,	1,308
By gift,	176
Total,	<u>1,484</u>

In all 1638 volumes.

Catalogue cards distributed, copied at Locust street,	6,321
" " " " " Ridgway Branch,	7,337
Total,	<u>13,658</u>

Add for the duplicate at Ridgway Branch,	13,658
Number of cards written and distributed during the year,	<u>27,316</u>

Total cards in catalogue at each Library,	<u>134,034</u>
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Ridgway Branch.

Number of days open 270.

Attendance for year ending April 30th, 1882 :—

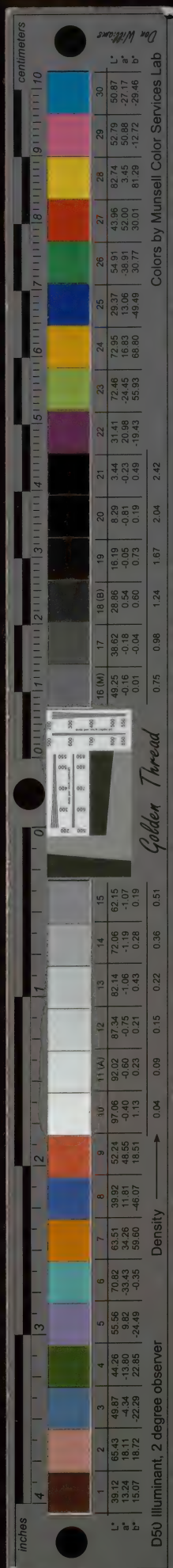
Readers,	3,610
Visitors,	1,596
Total,	<u>5,206</u>
Daily average, 18 +	

Book circulation :—

Used in building,	4,249
Given out,	1,050
Total,	<u>5,299</u>
Daily average, 19 +	

Volumes added to Ridgway Branch,	1,150
" " Loganian Library,	104
" " Philadelphia Library, as above,	1,638
Total for the year,	<u>2,892</u>

The Directors take much pleasure in calling the attention of the Members to the acquisition, by the Library, through the liberality of his family, of the valuable collection of manuscripts and papers left by the late John Jay Smith, Esq., the father and immediate predecessor of the



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present Librarian. These papers have been placed in the hands of Mr. W. H. B. Thomas for arrangement. This gentleman, who possesses special qualifications for work of this character, after thoroughly examining them made a report, in which he expresses the opinion that the collection is unique and invaluable for historical reference and study. "They cover," he says, "the entire period of Pennsylvania history. There are over four thousand documents—letters, papers, &c., from 1700 to 1800—containing many papers of great public interest relating to the city of Philadelphia, the divisions of lots among the early inhabitants, and the bonds they gave in payment for them; surveys of several of the original tracts of land on which the city is built, and plotting of the same into lots by the early surveyors. * * * There is a manuscript index of the History of New Jersey (Samuel Smith, 1762), prepared by his brother, John Smith; petitions of the inhabitants to the king and to the proprietors; lists of Friends' ministers in manuscript; many memorials concerning Friends; letters of colonial governors, Franklin, Boone, Belcher, &c.; patents and deeds of Franklin, Samuel Preston Moore, Anthony Benezet, John Woolman, and a host of others illustrative of colonial trade, the social life of the people, &c."

The same gentleman is also now engaged in arranging the papers of the late Dr. James Rush. Under the will of Dr. Rush his manuscript copyrights and papers and also those of his father, Dr. Benjamin Rush, are directed to be placed in a room in the Ridgway Branch of the Library for safe keeping. The report of Mr. Thomas in regard to these papers shows that they also possess great value. "I have made," he says, "a preliminary examination of the 'Rush papers,' contained in fifteen large cases. They comprise the manuscripts, letters, papers, and pamphlets of the celebrated Dr. Rush, during and after the Revolution, a large collection of notes and letters addressed to him during the prevalence of yellow fever in Philadelphia, in the year 1793, a large collection of medical, historical, and political pamphlets, being the united collection of both father and son, covering the period from 1742 to the death of the late Dr. James Rush, in 1869. (Many of these pamphlets are unique and are not in the Philadelphia Library—Americana not mentioned in Sabin, and unknown to the bibliographer.) A collection made by Dr. James Rush, commencing about 1828, of ephemeral publications, play bills, posters, circulars, cards, carriers' addresses, advertisements, &c., is of great interest and illustrates the history of the day. * * * The medical and other manuscripts of the Rush family, papers of family history, controversies of the elder Dr. Rush, are of great value."

With such a nucleus as exists in these two collections the Directors believe it is proper to create a Manuscript Department, and have therefore set aside the Directors' Room at the Ridgway Branch of the Library for the safe keeping of these and of any future acquisitions of the same kind. They have already reason to believe that at least two other valuable collections of papers, illustrating the colonial and later history of our State, will eventually find their way to this Department, and do not doubt that as soon as it becomes generally known that such a department exists in a fire-proof building many gentlemen in our State and city will be glad to deposit papers of this description therein.

By order of the Board.

GEORGE HARRISON FISHER,
Secretary.

MAY 1st, 1882.

On motion the Report was accepted.
In accordance with the ByLaw the
following gentlemen were appointed
a Committee to examine the accounts
of the Company, Mr Robert M. Lewis
D^{Edw} Shippen, W.N and Mr James B.
Leonard.

On motion of Mr Clifford Lewis
Messrs J. N. Sergeant & J. D. Rodney
were appointed Tellers of Election
and the Meeting adjourned to hold
the Annual Election for twelve
Directors and a Treasurer.

Geo Maurice Abbot
Secy pro tem

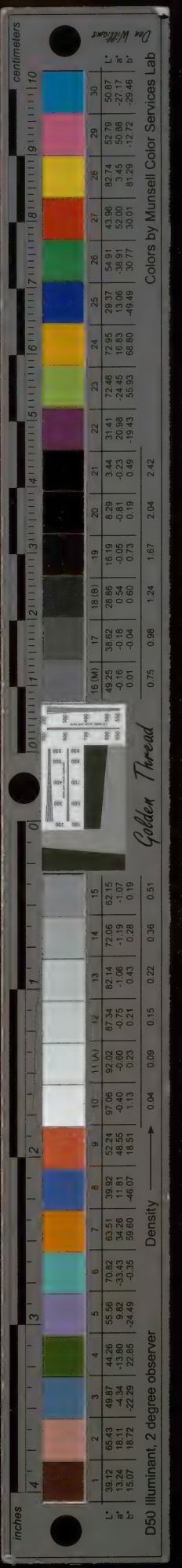
At a Meeting of the Directors held May 4 1882
Present, Messrs Willing Buckley
 Hare Hutchinson
 Cramond Rawls
 Knobold & Treasurer

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read
and approved.

The Return of the Election for Directors
and Treasurer was as follows:

At an Election held on Monday
the first day of May, at the Library, for a choice
of twelve Directors and a Treasurer of the
Library Company of Philadelphia the following
persons attended in person or by proxy
to give their votes

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| 1 | L. R. Smith | 15 | Alfred Hornis Estate |
| 2 | E. S. Buckley | 16 | William Sargent |
| 3 | R. Anthony E. Stocker | 17 | Henry Cramond |
| 4 | Wm L. McFadden | 18 | J. D. Rodney |
| 5 | Chas. A. Gray | 19 | Samuel Wilcox |
| 6 | Jm. Brown Wallace | 20 | Henry J. Cowen |
| 7 | Jas. H. Hutchinson | 21 | Edward E. Law |
| 8 | L. Decatur Smith | 22 | Emile Cresson |
| 9 | Albert G. Emerick | 23 | Geo. Sharswood |
| 10 | L. Kingston McKay | 24 | Horatio Elish Jones |
| 11 | Chas. Willing | 25 | Charles Marshall |
| 12 | Wm. Henry Rawle | 26 | S. Grant Smith |
| 13 | John S. Newbold | 27 | Leura Moore |
| 14 | Ernestine Abbot | 28 | Charles Platt |

Directors

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|---------------------|--------------------|
| Chas. Willing | Twenty eight votes |
| David Lewis | Twenty eight votes |
| J. S. Clark Hale | Twenty eight votes |
| Henry Cramond | Twenty eight votes |
| Jas. D. Biddle | Twenty eight votes |
| John S. Newbold | Twenty eight votes |
| Casper Wick | Twenty eight votes |
| Edward S. Buckley | Twenty eight votes |
| Levir Mitchell | Twenty eight votes |
| James H. Hutchinson | Twenty eight votes |
| Wm. Henry Rawle | Twenty eight votes |
| Chas. Platt | Twenty eight votes |

Treasurer

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| Lloyd Smith | Twenty eight votes |
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We the subscribers testify that the above is a true statement of the Election of Directors and a Treasurer of the Library Company of

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Philadelphia, held on Monday the first day
of May 1882, agreeably to the Charter and
Laws of the said Company, and that
Charles Willing, David Lewis, J. & Clark Hare
Henry Raymond, James S. Biddle, John Newbold
Caspar Archib, Edward Buckley, Edwin Mitchell
James H. Hutchinson, Wm Henry Rawls and Charles
Rae were duly elected Directors and Lloyd
Smith, Treasurer of the said Company for
the ensuing year

(Signed)

J. S. Stryker }
J. D. Rodney } Judges

Attest-

Geo. M. Moore
City Notary.

George Harrison Fisher was re-elected Secretary

The following Standing Committees were appointed
by the Board

Committee on Finance

Messrs Biddle, Newbold and Hutchinson

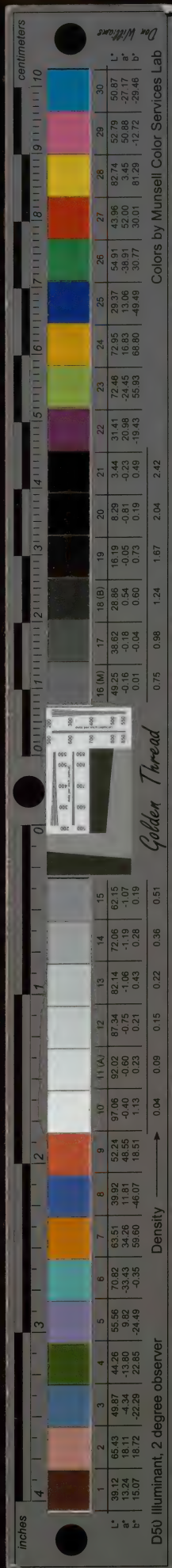
Book Committee

Messrs Willing, Hare & Raymond with the addition
of the members composing the Executive
Committee each month

Committee on Railway Branch

Messrs Buckley, Mitchell & Hutchinson

The Treasurer submitted the following



Report

Library Co.	Balance per annual account	1579.09	
	Receipts since, Grady payments	4688.67	
	Rent from Central News Co	<u>333.33</u>	6541.09
	Left orders to be drawn today	2627.90	
	Order Book Committee	<u>287.42</u>	<u>2883.82</u>
	Leaving Cash balance of		<u><u>3683.82</u></u>

Loganiam	Balance per annual account	807.32
	Left orders to be drawn today	<u>217.50</u>
	Leaving Cash balance of	<u><u>288.82</u></u>

Ry Branch	Balance per Annual Account	8482.61
	Received from Clifford Lewis Agent	<u>11.00</u>
		8582.61
	Left orders to be drawn today	4803.02
" "	Book Committee	<u>142.07</u>
	Leaving Cash balance of	<u><u>4637.52</u></u>

Contingent Fund	Balance per Annual Account	1807.10
	Add Appropriations today	<u>1065.02</u>
	Making Cash Balance	2886.12

Edw. J. Allen	Balance due him	\$ 31.2.8
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B. F. Stevens	" in his hands	\$ 41.0.3
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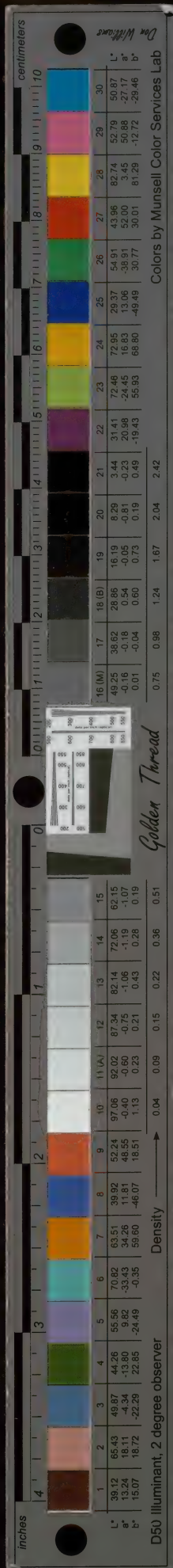
J. W. Christen	" due him	\$ 106.42
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On the recommendation of the Executive Committee Mr Smith, was granted permission to attend, on behalf of the Library Company the annual meeting of the American Library Association to be held at Cincinnati. The wages of Paul Garber, an assistant at the Louisa St. building were raised from \$4. to \$5. a week. It having been reported that the well at the corner of Juniper & Louisa Sts. had been cleaned, but was of insufficient depth, and a private drain having been recommended, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee with power to act. New shelving for the Louisa St. building was reported to be on order. The matter was referred to the Executive Committee with power to act, as also the subject of the recent claims for duties on imported books and the method of proof of exemption. During Mr Bates' absence Mr Newbold was appointed to serve on the Executive Committee.

On the recommendation of the Book Committee the Treasurer was authorized to remit \$200. to Mr Edward F. Allen of London and \$200. to Mr J W Christian of New York.

On the recommendation of the Committee on the Ridgway Branch, \$5000. was appropriated to the Book Committee for the ensuing year.

The Janitor of the Ridgway Branch was authorized to paint the iron railing on Broad St, to repair and paint the fence around his house, to purchase some bench tools, a grind stone, a gallon of varnish and some paint for the front gates and five tons of coal for his own use. He



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was also authorized to have his house painted at a cost of about 148 dollars, and the roof repaired, at a cost of about five dollars.

The Executive Committee who were requested to ascertain the probable cost of keeping open on Sunday, the Library, as a reading room, reported that it would be about \$600 per annum.

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The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer			
Library Co 567	Geo H. Fisher, Secy 1 year	\$16	
	L. R. Smith, Lib ⁿ 1 mo	41.67	
	" Treas ^r "	16.66	
	Geo M. Abbot, Agent	125	
	B. G. Owen "	58.33	
	Miss E. M. Chilton "	40	
	W. J. Phillips Junior	<u>50</u>	347.66
568	Current Expenses for ensuing year		700
569	Taxes on Central News Building	570	
	" " Law Building	<u>937.90</u>	1509.90
570	Jos L. Burr & Co Catalogue Cards	12.50	
	Gas bills of delinquent tenants	29.64	
	Mathew White, Gardener	16	
	James Wood, repairs to Law Building	<u>12.20</u>	<u>70.34</u>
			<u>2627.90</u>

RB	123	L. P. Smith, Librarian	1200	158-33	
		E. M. Abbott, Asst. Lib.	"	25-	
		B. Samuel	"	41-67	
		E. M. Pratt Junior		50-	
		Jas. Cox, Watchman	"	37-50	
		W. H. B. Thomas, on acc		100-	412-50
124		B. Ketchum adm, Chelving		633-	
		Evans Thompson & sons, malling		227-50	
		Mum & Bro, Gravel etc		25	885-50
125		Current Expenses, & account for			500-
126		Contingent Fund - Real Estate 1950	13630.17		
		Exp. Ammunties for 1 year	2980	1065-02	
			10650.17		
127		M. C. Ritchie Annuitiy		500-	
		A. M. Rush	"	180	
		L. C. Rush	"	180	
		J. W. Bridle		900	
		R. H. Rush		180	1940
					<u>4803.02</u>

Geo Harrison Fisher
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At a Meeting of the Society held June 1 1882
 Present: Messrs. Worthing Berkeley

Crannard Hutchinson

Biddle Rauh

Newbold Platt

The Treasurer & Secretary

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and approved.

The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

The Committee on Finance reported that that a bond of the State of Pennsylvania for \$500 = had been paid off and specially deposited in the Pennsylvania Company. Also that in accordance with an order of the Board \$3000 = of the P.W. & B. Stock Trust Certificates had been purchased in behalf of the Contingent Fund of the Ridgway Branch.

The Executive Committee reported that it was not expedient at present to build a gallery in the main hall. They recommended the building of alcoves on the ground floor and the addition of upper shelves in the corners. Adopted. On motion

of the Board, resolved, that the Executive Committee be requested to ascertain from an expert the cause of the rotting of the floor and to suggest a remedy. The Executive Committee was empowered to act in the matter of the purchasing of coal. The Committee was requested to have a coat of shellac put on the outside woodwork of doors to Building

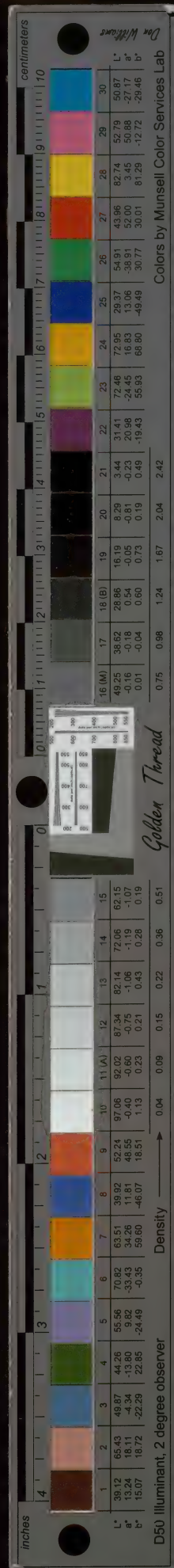
H.H.

The Book Committee reported a communication from W. B. Thomas offering to sell a collection of books pamphlets and maps to the Library Co. at \$300. The consideration of this offer was deferred. A remittance of \$150 ^{ordered to be} was made to F. W. Church of New York.

The Ridgway Branch was ordered to be closed during the month of August, that the building might be cleaned and arrangements made for the usual three weeks vacation to the employees of the Company. It was moved and resolved that the attention of the Architect be called to the discharge pipe at the Ridgway Branch, which was leaking badly, and that he be requested to report the cause. The heating apparatus at that building was ordered to be repaired.

The following transfers were approved

J. D. Thomas	to	Henry M. Fisher
Robert M. Lewis	"	Nila E. Norris
M. S. Lewis	"	Robert M. Lewis
James Wise	"	Eliza W. Smith
Estlin Chas. H. Abbott	"	Geo. F. Crepeau
" Geo. Robt Patterson "		Jas. B. Kinney



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The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

Library Co 571	Lloyd P. Smith Librarian	1 Mo	41.67	
	" Treasurer	"	16.66	
	J. M. Abbot Assistant	"	25	
	B. G. Owen	"	58.33	
	Miss E. M. Callan	"	40	
	W. J. Phillips Janitor		50	331.66
572	J. H. Howard clo. Repairs to drain		17.88	
	Ev. Bulletin, Advertising		21.88	
	Allen Lane & Co. Printing		13.50	
	Graves Thompson & Co. Mailing		32.50	
	Engineer, Advertising		24	
	M. Clark, cleaning work		76.61	187.47
R. B 128	L. P. Smith, Librarian 1110-		158.33	
	J. M. Abbot Assistant	"	25	
	B. Samuel	"	41.67	
	E. M. Gracie Janitor	"	50	
	James Cole Watchman	"	{ 37.50 1.25	
	W. H. B. Thomas on acc		100-	413.75
129	James Brist. Hardware		36.30	
	Shurleys Walls, Tiles		75	
	L. P. Smith Librarian - Expenses of attendance at Cincinnati Convention		92.75	
	E. M. Gracie, coal		85	240.05

The following Presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

A. S. Congressional Documents & Mo	Gift of	The Gov't
Under the Ashens by Mrs. Puffer	"	The Author
Comm. on Board of Education Report	"	The Board
Charleston Year Book	"	The Mayor

The Classification of Books

Philadelphia Ordinances 1878/1881

Glasgow Herald Centin' }

42 vols. Friends Books }

Rhala - Journal Common Council "

Am Orahon, reprint

Similes & Comp. ansins

Boston Records 1660-1740

Map. Census 1875-

Report of Stanislaus Kabon Ywols

Map^{as} Historical Society - Collection 1877

Pharmaceutical Affⁿ Proceedings

Supplements to Appleton's Cyclopaedia

Woods Ballman Director

Geo. F. Meach Post-

A Volume containing the

following pamphlets

1 Rogers changed to 8th July 1923

2 " " " August 1731
3 " " " " " "

4 " *Chrysomelidae* 1836

5 - Sp. Th. : 100 - to 200

Mr Thomas's Letters to Board

of 1940

Copy. of 1 copy letters to
Brother...

Early collecting

Notes: Extracts Making to Grady
Mason.

S. Ch.

- 2. Chew Speech to Grand

July 1941

L. R. Smith Esq

The City-

The Proprietary

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Dr C. A. Smith -

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The Board

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Post master: Kindly forward

BW Richards Esq

John Fisher

At a Meeting of the Directors
held July 6- 1882. Present-
Messrs Ammond Hutchinson
Biddle The Treasurer
Wish & The Secretary

No quorum being present, adjourned

Geo Harrison Fisher
Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors
held August 3- 1882 Present-
Messrs Willing Wish
Biddle Hutchinson
The Treasurer
& The Secretary

No quorum being present, adjourned

Geo Harrison Fisher
Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors held
September 4th 1882. Present-

Messrs Willing Wish
Ammond Buckley
Hobbs The Treasurer
& The Secretary

No quorum being present, adjourned

Geo Harrison Fisher
Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors
held October 5th 1882 Preside:

Myers Lewis Biddle
Almond Buckley
Wright Hutchinson

Platt, the Treasurer
& the Secretary

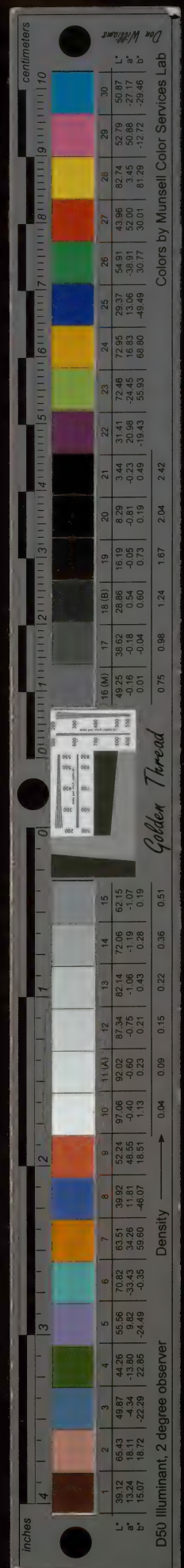
The Minutes of the last Meeting were
read and approved.

The Reports of the Librarian and
Treasurer were read.

The Executive Committee reported;
that during the late severe storm the
Janitor's quarters had been flooded and
his property somewhat damaged, and that
the injury would not probably have been
done had the new sewer connection, since
completed, been then finished. They
recommended an appropriation to the
Janitor, of \$25, by way of compensation -
Adopted.

On the recommendation
of the same Committee, the garden
at the Louisa St. building was ordered
to be set in order, the air roof of
the law building to be repaired, at an
estimate of \$15= and the gutter to the
sky light in the Louisa St. building to
be strengthened at a cost of \$10= The
Committee was then directed to construct
a gallery on the north side of the
main hall according to plans to
be approved by the Committee

The Book Committee



reported that a balance of £128-18-8 was due to Edw. J. Allen of Lond on and recommended that a remittance of £200 be made to him on account of the Ridgway Branch. This remittance was ordered to be made

On the Recommendation of the Committee on the Ridgway Branch the following repairs were authorized viz - Repairs to Chimneys of Janitor's house, repairs to discharge pipes from cavers to cost about \$70. The matter of the small addition of the women's water closets was referred to the Committee with power to act. The sum of forty dollars was appropriated to M^cGrath the Janitor, for the purchase of coal for his own use.

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

Library Co. - 580	L. P. Smith, Librarian	41.67	
	Treasurer	16.66	
	J. M. Atter	125-	
	B. Gowen	58.83	
	Miss E. M. Clellan	40-	
	W. J. Phillips Janitor	50-	331.66
581	Wm Brogan, repairing furnace	125.27	
	J. A. Payne. Attachment to drain	96.25	
	M. F. M ^c Garr. Fire wood	101	
	Geo L Gabree Jr. repairs to gas fixtures	22.33	
	J. W. Colman. Stationery	4.35	
	Joshua Gibbs. White washing	20	369.20

RB 137	L. P. Smith, Librarian	158-33	
	J. M. Abbott, Represent	25-	
	B. Samuel "	41-67	
	E. McGrath Junior	57-	
	Jas. Coll. Hutchinson	38-75-	
	W. H. B. Thomas. on ac	<u>100-</u>	413-75-
138	Jas. C. Taylor, painting et	184-	
	M. L. Frederick, printing	30-	
	Jos. L. Burr clo. cards	50	
	Bell Telephone Co	<u>30</u>	294-

The following transfers were approved.

Susan W. Price's Estate	to Mary H. Bidale
Emily Jackson	" Eliza Boyer Jackson
Fanny Perry	" Evans R. Dick
Mrs. J. Hewins	" Katherine Hewins
Prot. Larcheris	" Wm J. Binnay
Robert W. Lamborn	" A. F. Young-

Geo Hanson Secy
Secretary

At a meeting of the directors
held November 2^d 1882, Present-

Myers Cranford

Bidale

Hutchinson

Knobole

Rauk

Wells

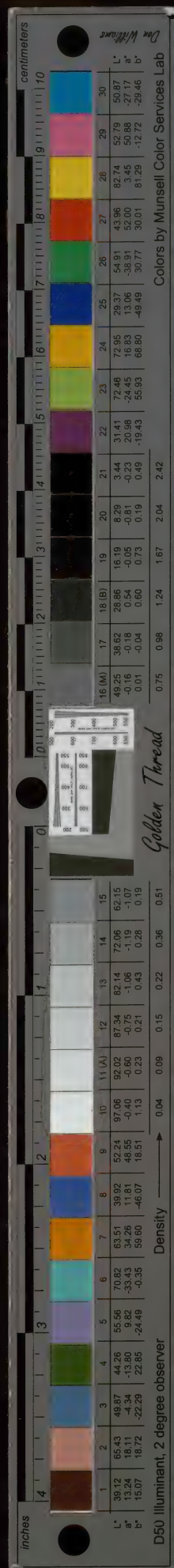
Platt

Mitchell

The Treasurer

& The Secretary

The Minutes of the last meeting were read
and approved. The Treasurer's and
Librarian's reports were read



From the Report of the Executive Committee it appeared that certain tax receipts, and other papers had been discovered indicating a claim to Texas lands in which the Library Company was interested as residuary legatee of the late Joseph Fisher. Resolved that the papers

be referred to Mr Rawle. The Committee reported the following communication from the Architect of the Lower St. building

209 So 3rd St.

Philadelphia Oct. 19. 1882

Phila: Library Company
Gentlemen,

In accordance with your request I write to inform you that after having carefully examined the skylight at the Philadelphia Library I consider it perfectly safe and cannot see that it requires any additional strengthening bar, as I could detect no indication of sagging in the iron beams and I believe it to be today in a perfectly sound condition. I am

Very truly yours

Frank Furness

The Book Committee reported that a Balance of \$30.67 was due J. W. Christian of New York and recommended a remittance to him of \$150 = which was ordered.

The Committee on the Redway Branch recommended the placing of two gas lamps upon the front platform of the building and improvements in the women's water closets. Referred to that Committee with power to act. A communication was received from William Thornton

Member of Select Council from the Bow Ward, urging the importance of lighting the grounds of the Ridgway Branch, in the interest of good order and public morality, and promising his official aid in securing gas lights. The Motion was requested to do what he could in this direction.

On motion of Mr. Stewards, Resolved That the Library Building in Louisa Street be opened for readers between the hours of one o'clock and six o'clock, upon Sundays during the months of November, December, January, February, March and April - it being expressly understood that no books are to be given out or received upon that day; and that the Executive Committee be directed to carry out this resolution.

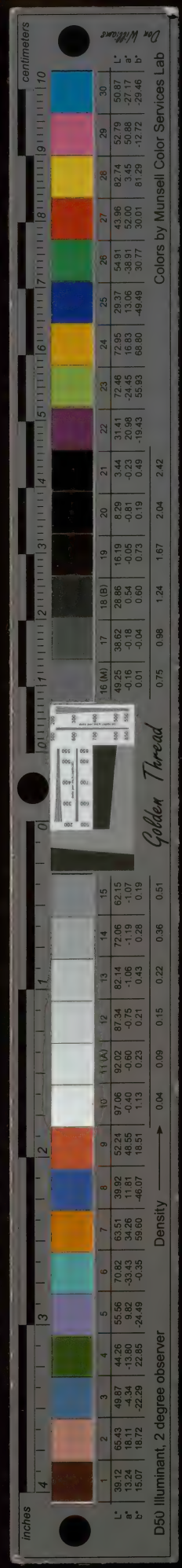
On motion of Mr. Mitchell - Resolved that proper notice of this step, be given.

Requests having been received from different persons that the Ridgway Branch might be opened in the evenings and on Sundays, on motion, the question whether such opening was permitted under Dr. Rush's will, was referred to the Rector.

The following transfers were approved

Joseph Sargis Esq.	to	Eliza Wilkins Balch
J. Wilmer Cannell's Esq.	"	Fanny W. Scott
C. A. Snyder	"	James B. Chandler

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer.



L.C.	582	L. P. Smith, Librarian	41.67	
		" Treasurer	16.66	
		J.M. Abbot, Assistant	125	
		B. G. Owen	58.33	
		Miss M. C. Cleary	40.	
		W. J. Phillips Junior	50.	356.66
		" " Extra	25.	
583		Wm. Pennock, drain pipes	116.	
		French, Richards & Co Cement	12.40	
		Gas Bill	26	154.40
584		E. M. Grant on acc of gallery		500.
R.B.	139.	L. P. Smith Librarian	158.33	
		J.M. Abbot, Assistant	25	
		B. Samuel	41.67	
		E. M. Grant, Junior	50.	
		Jas. Cole, Watchman	37.50	
		W.H.B. Thomas, on acc	100.	
		E. M. Grant, allowance for coal	75.	487.50
140.		Current Expenses to be accounted for		500.
141.		M. C. Ritchie, annuity	500	
		A. M. Rush	180	
		L. C. Rush	180	
		Julia W. Brindle	900	
		Richard H. Rush	180	1940.

The following presents were received
for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Am. Ephemeris 1888	Gift of	Prof. Brewster
Foreign Relations 1881	" "	Secy of State
Mass. Mayors and Mayors	" "	Hon W.S. Stoddard
New Jersey Archives Vol 5	" "	The State
Journal Am. Geog. Society	" "	The Society
Johnny Cake Papers	" "	J.H. Haggard & Co
Jesus by Furness	" "	The Author

Remains of William Penn
Upper Columbia River
New York Library Cat.
Cong. vol. 2 vols.

Gift of J. L. Harrison Esq
" " Chief of Engineers
" " the Librarian
" " Secy of Interior

Geo Harrison Treas
Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors
held December 7. 1882 Present:

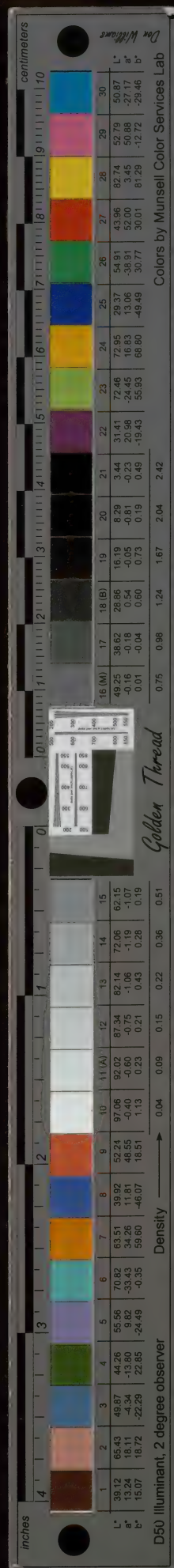
Meyer Crummett	Rees
Biddle	Rauw
Buckley	Wright
Mitchell	The Treasurer
	& the Secretary

The Minutes of the last meeting were read
and approved. The reports of the Librarian
and Treasurer were read.

An offer of Le Livre de Mammalogie to
the Company at \$250 = for 20 folio volumes, was
referred to the Book Committee with power to act.

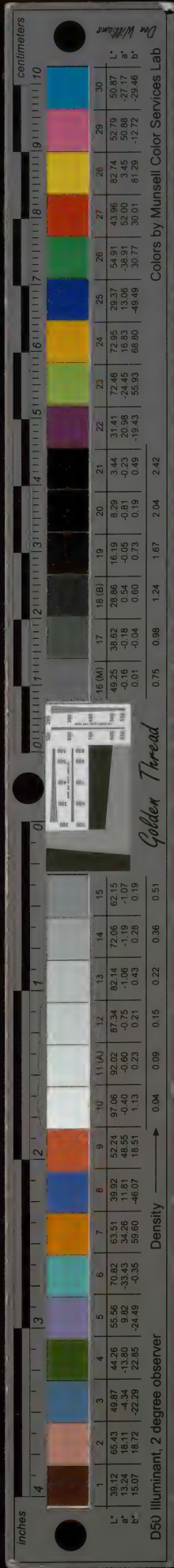
At the request of the Committee on the Rutgers
Branch the expenditure of \$25 = for a name for
the group was authorized. The Committee
was authorized to expend from three to four
hundred dollars on the improvement of premises
to from the contingent fund.

The House to whom was referred
the question whether the Rutgers Branch
might be opened on Sundays and in the
Evenings presented the following



which he said were "objects" foreign and
inconsistent with the legitimate purposes of
a public library and it is only for the
preservation and free and convenient use
of such a library x x x that it is desired
to make provision "

Lectures and the like would
naturally interfere with the "free and con-
venient use of a public library" so would
an undue exercise of the right to close
the library at certain hours or on certain
days. To prevent this, to make the
use as "free and convenient" as possible -
he provides that "the said library is to
be kept open from nine o'clock at m-
until at or near sun set - except on
Sundays or holidays but he does not pro-
hibit its being open at an earlier or
a later hour, or on the days mentioned.
He merely insists that it shall be open
at least during those hours and on every day
except those when an option is given
by law to close it. No one who grasps
the true idea of how a free public library
can best serve the wants of every class
of the community, from the men and women
of leisure to whom all hours are the
same, to the mechanic whose only li-
brary hours must be early and late,
and whose only library days are Sundays
and holidays - No one who has seen
the practical workings of such libraries
in the great manufacturing towns in England -



No one who knew the testator, can doubt that if the Library Co. should, in this regard of public convenience, refuse to open the building earlier or later than the hours named, or refuse to open it at all upon the days named, it would sacrifice the public good to the mere technicality - it would prefer shadow to substance.

I am therefore, of opinion that the Ridgway Branch may, under the terms of Dr Rush's will be opened on Sunday.

But if this should not be so, it remains to consider the consequences. It is familiar that any words to create a condition subsequent and to vest an estate are to be strictly construed, and not only can no fair construction of these words be tortured into such a condition but the testator himself provides, in his last codicil, for a violation of the regulations he prescribes. In the

5th section he authorizes a certain corporation here, or any citizen of Phila., to apply to the proper courts "to compel the the Library Company to comply with the provisions" of the will, or to remove them from the trusts set. If emergency upon greater facility for the use of the library being given to the general public any one should take such a course, and any court should be found to agree, with his narrow construction of the

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will, (which of which is likely) the
 value would be, not the loss of the estate
 but a return to the former practice of
 closing the library - I do not, therefore,
 consider that the Library Company, would
 run any risk by the suggested opening

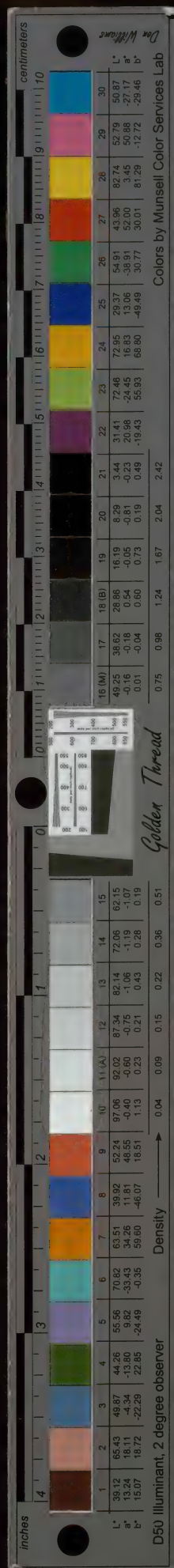
William Henry Rouse
 Nov 25 1882

On motion of Dr Mitchell resolved
 that the Librarians be requested to report at
 the next meeting the cost of opening the
 Ridgway Branch on Sundays. On motion
 of Mr Buckley resolved that the Librarians
 be instructed to erect suitable notices at
 the Ridgway Branch, of the admission of the
 public.

The Committee of the Ridgway Branch
 having reported the discovery of interesting letters
 of Dr Rush referring to Washington and others,
 the letters were referred to the Committee
 to be bound and properly cared for.

The following orders were drawn before the Treasurer

L.C. 585	L. R. Smith, Librarian	1 mo	41.67	
"	Treasurer	1 "	16.66	
	E.M. Abbot	Appliances	1 "	125-
	B. G. Owen	"	1 "	58.33
	Miss McClellan	"	1 "	40
	W. J. Phillips	Journal		55-
	B. A. Amund	Sundays @ 4		20
	P. Garbo	Sundays @ 2		10-
	Gardner	Sundays @ 2	16	382.66



586	W. M. Carter. Painting outside	348-
	Thaniel Mushorn's sons repairs	12-37
	Jas. Wood. Repairs to Law by	3-30
	Phila: Trust Co. Rent of safe	18-
	Samson & Barnett, repairing roof	53-50
	John W. Amason Anderson et	18
	Jas. Buss, hardware	11-93
	Mom et al. Painting fence to garden	54-20 573-30
587	Edmund M. Grack, gallery	536-75-
	Cornelius et al. Eas pictures	88-83- 623-60
R.B.		
142	L. P. Smith, Librarian 17140	158-33
	J. M. Abbot Assistant "	25-
	B. Hamner " "	41-67
	E. M. Grack Janitor "	50
	Jas. Cox, watchman "	37-50
	W. H. B. Thomas male	100 412-50
143	Jos L. Burr et al. Catalogue cards	41-12
	Bi Centennial Com. Wood cut	14- 53-12

The following transfers was approved
 Anna L. Piffitt's Est. to Edmund E. Piffitt, Trustee

The following presents were received for
 which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Journal	}
Storia Euclid	
Facilis	
Plantas	
Homer's Iliad	
Ovid	
Seneca	

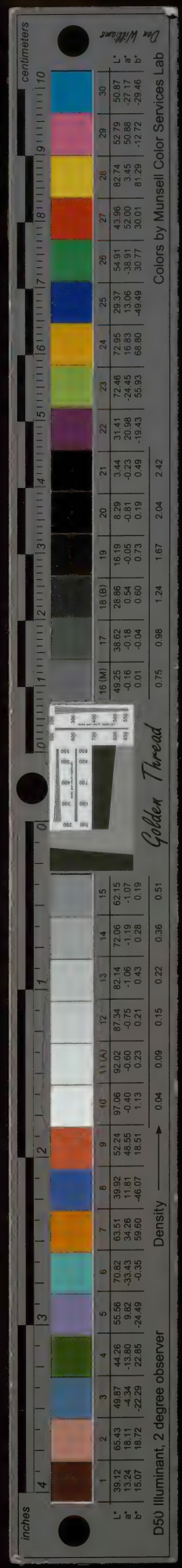
Wife	Life of	Ship Wife
Terence		
Simpson's Algebra		
Sketch of 120 th Reg. Pa. Vol	"	The Author
Marine, Review of Progress of	"	"
Marshall Operations in	"	Mrs Janice
Report - Patrie Chambers 1848	"	M H Dickinson
Brunner's Indicators of Berles Co	"	The Author
Test of building material	"	J C Perkins
Gold Silver in the U.S.	"	The Director of the Mint
Sketch of Lafayette By Coffin	"	The Author
Boyle's Health Congress	"	" Apocryphal
Hobbs, by Buier	"	" Author
Report of Water Department	"	" Chief
N. Y. State Library Index	"	" Librarian
Regiae Scientiarum Academiae	"	Dr Parkland
Works of Francis Hargreave	"	Mrs Jenkins
Wells - Ireland		
Cabinet of Monms	"	H Phillips Jr
Picis poems		

Geo Hanson Esq
Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors
held January 4th 1883 Present:

Myers	Crannell	Hutchinson
Biddle		Kawth
Murbold		Platt
Wishu		The Treasurer
Buckley		& The Secretary

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.



The Executive Committee reported that the Architect was of opinion that the rotting of the flooring of the Main Hall, was due to the fact that the boards had been laid before the joists had had time to dry. The Committee was directed to have the floor made safe.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch reported that the cost of opening the Ridgway Building on Sundays from 1 to 6 P.M. would be about the same as that of opening the Louise St. Building during the same hours. On motion of Mr. Buckley Resolved, that the Ridgway Branch be opened during the same hours on the Sundays, when the Louise St. Building was authorized to be opened and that the pay of the assistants should be made in accordance with the recommendations of the report. The Committee was directed to place gas lamps upon the platform in general accordance with designs that were exhibited at the meeting.

The Treasurer was directed, as soon as convenient, to audit the accounts of Mr. Clifford Lewis, agent of the Company.

The Executive Committee was requested to buy half a dozen arm chairs for the use of readers in the Main Hall.

The following transfers were approved

Fanny W. Scott to Ed. Weston Harvey

Rebecca Staley Es. " Harry J. Staley

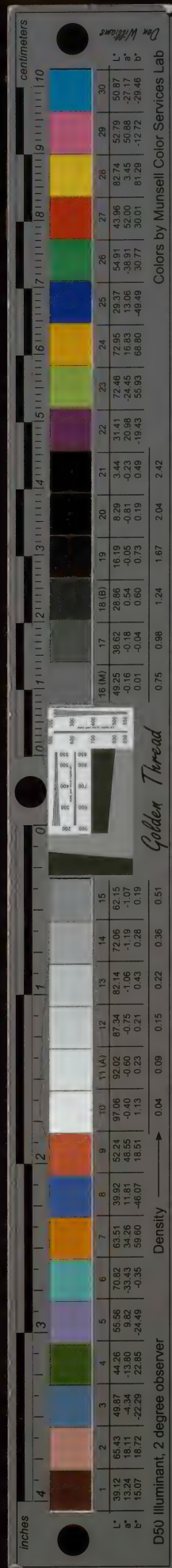
John M. Ogden Es. " Edward H. Ogden

The following orders were drawn

upon the Treasurer

L.C. 588	L. P. Smith, Librarian	1 mo.	41.67	
	Treasurer	"	16.66	
	J. M. Abbott Assistant	"	125-	
	B. J. Brown	"	58.33	
	Miss E. McClellan	"	40	
	W. J. Phillips Janitor	"	53-	
	B. Samuel 4 Sundays @ 4		16	
	P. Garber 4 " " 2		8	360.66
589	Gas Bill 3 mos.		162.12	
	Ice " 12 "		35.24	
	J. H. Collins Printing		43.25-	
	W. Brown & Penrock Plumbing		7 47	
	Collateral Inheritance tax		15.95-	
	J. W. Brunkhouse, repairs		10-	
	H. F. Bruner & Co Coal		6.75-	240.78
P.B. 144	L. P. Smith, Librarian, 1 mo		158.33	
	G. M. Abbott Assistant	"	25-	
	B. Samuel	"	41.67	
	E. M. Gough Janitor	"	50	
	Jas. Coll Watchman	"	{ 37.50 125-	
	W. H. B. Thomas, on a/c		100	413.75-
145-	Sam McCracken Plumbing		108	
	Bell Telephone Co 30.			
		12.06	42.06	
	J. F. Loring Metallic signs		25-	
	John Lally Carpenter work on do.		22	
	L. Samuel Moore		18	215.06

The following presents were received
for which the Librarian was directed to
thank the donors.



M. Michael. Landlubbers Log Jefe of	The Author
Notes on the Parables	Dr. Child
Commandery of Penna	J. P. Nicholson
Dr. Geo Smith	Dr. J. J. Leitch
Journal Councils 1882	Councils
Dr. Anis Stage	E. R. Cope
Harvard University; Cal.	The University
Fables of Aesop	J. S. Biddle
Lord Stirling's Stand	W. H. Babcock
Scrap Book	Miss Phillips

Jo. Hanson Asher
Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors held
February 1 1883 Present Messrs

Amund	Mitchell
Biddle	Hutchinson
Wish	Rawls
Buckley	Platt

The Treas^r & The Secretary

The Executive Committee reported that
one Charles Jolly, residing at 2027 Corner St.,
who had for many years visited the Library
as a reader, had been detected in secreting
a volume belonging to the Company, and
when charged with the offence, admitted
that he had on other occasions taken
away books without authority, but asserted
that he had always returned them - and
that he had expected to return also the
book just hidden. As it appeared that
Jolly was respectably connected, and it was

thought that his mind was somewhat affected,
Resolved that the Society be requested to
communicate with the family of Charles Jolly,
and to inform them that he was forbidden
entering the building on pain of arrest.

The Executive Committee was authorized
to purchase timber for flooring for the
Lower St. Building and to store it in
the cellar of the Ridgway Building, until
it should become properly seasoned.

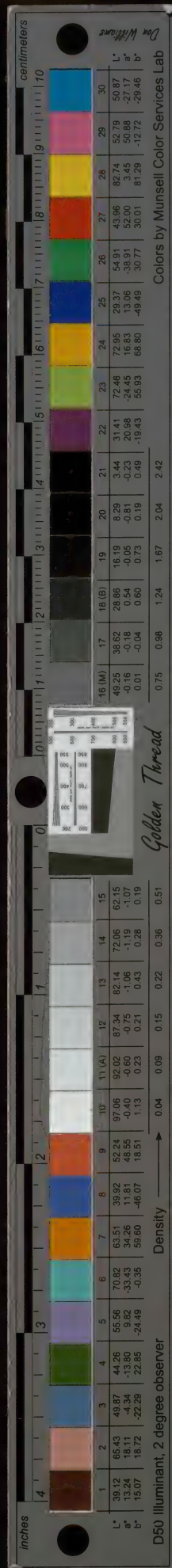
The following communication
was received from

The Historical Society of Pennsylvania
Jan 29. 1883

To The Board of Directors of
The Library Company of Philadelphia
Gentlemen,

Having recently had
occasion to consult your copy of the Session
Laws of Pennsylvania, several grave imperfections
were discovered in that edition of it which
was supposed to be complete. Your set
lacks four pages of the Acts of 1717, thirteen
Acts passed during the Session of 1722-23 three
Acts passed in 1723-4 all the Acts passed
by the Assembly 1726-7 and 1728-9 and all
the Acts passed at the last two sessions of
1768-9.

Supposing that you would be glad
to make good the statement in your Bulletin
for January 1882, that the Library Company's
set of the Session Laws of Pennsylvania was
complete from 1714 to 1778, and having frequently



had evidence of your willingness to aid
our collections by Equitable Exchanges, we
submit the following propositions

I We will supply in print or manuscript
the deficiencies above noted in your list
of the laws and give you a collection
of thirteen hundred pamphlets (no duplicates
among them) relating to the late Rebellion
and one hundred privately lithographed
portraits mainly of old Philadelphians
never before in any way engraved of
which only ninety eight copies of each
portrait were printed -

In return we ask
you to assist us in completing our file
of the Pennsylvania Gazette, which still
lacks about four hundred numbers, by
authorizing us to select from your duplicate
and imperfect copy of that newspaper
(1799 & 1800) such numbers as are therein
contained which will serve our purpose
to the extent of 200 more than four
hundred and twenty papers, the equivalent
of eight perfect years. Everything contained
in the six volumes of 1792 & in excess of
the four hundred and twenty numbers to be
rebound and returned at our expense

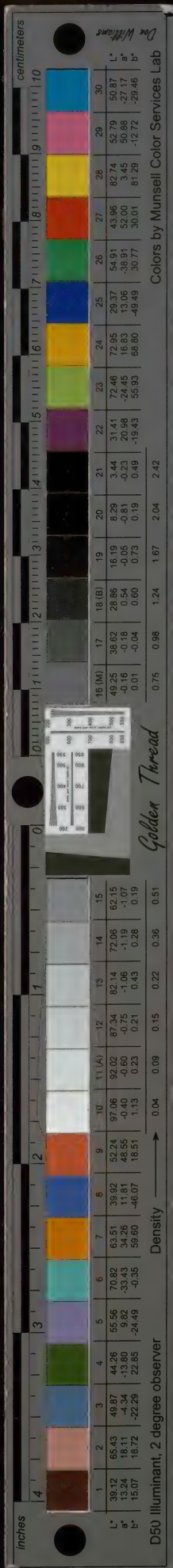
We will take the basis
on which you recently made an exchange
of the same kind which was to value
the newspapers at the highest price a
single complete year has ever been sold
for viz fifty dollars (\$50). At the same

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Time we must mention that we have
 bought every loc of Pennsylvania Gazette
 which has to our knowledge been offered
 at public or private sale during the last
 three years at from ten to Eighteen
 dollars per annum. In no case more
 than the last named sum for any of
 the years between 1854 and 1874 the
 period imperfectly covered by the six
 volumes we have mentioned. In the
 same exchange section (16) lithographs
 of the same series but not included in
 those now offered, were accepted by
 you at the Libris valuation of one
 dollar each. One of the printed
 Defiance Laws included in our proposition
 cost its present owner forty dollars,
 and to supply the rest will cost us
 not less than one hundred dollars, the
 pamphlets at the very low valuation of
 12½ cents apiece would make the cash
 value of our offer four hundred and
 two dollars.

II We will supply in print or
 manuscript the Laws of Pennsylvania
 from 1769 to 1776 making as believe
 you are complete from 1714 to the
 present time, in exchange for either
 No 3997 or No 5887 Laws of Pennsylvania
 from 1776 to 1782.

Trusting that our propositions
 will be received in the spirit in which
 they are made, the Mutual Benefit of Two



Kindred institutions -

I am,

With very great respect -

Your Obedient Servant -

John William Wallace

President

The above offers having been favorably reported by the Book Committee, the Committee was authorized to carry them out -

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

L. Co	590 L. P. Smith, Librarian 1 mo -	4.67
	Treasurer "	16.66
	E. M. Abbott Assistant "	125-
	B. G. Brown " "	58.33
	E. McClellan " "	40
	Paul Garber " 8 mos	179
	W. S. Phillips janitor 1 mo -	55-
	Extra services on Sundays 4 weeks @ 4	16
	590 Cornelius & Co. Chamberlains 4 " " 2	<u>8</u> 538.66
591	Cornelius & Co. Chamberlains	58-
	H. A. Berry D.W. Checks	7-
	Boyer Bros. Browns, soap &c	23.04
	Public Ledger, Advertising	10.25-
	Donaghy Bros, Coal	9
	H. F. Bruner & Co "	13.50
	Geo. W. Snyder, Repairs & B	<u>558-</u> 126.34

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R.B. 146	L. P. Smith, Librarian	158-34	
	E. M. Abbot - Assistant	25-	
	B. Samuel "	41-66	
	E. M. Grant Junior	60-	
	Jas. Cole. Watchman	38-76-	
	W.H.B. Thomas On a/c	100-	
	Sunday Service 4 @ '4	16-	
	" " "	4	443-75-

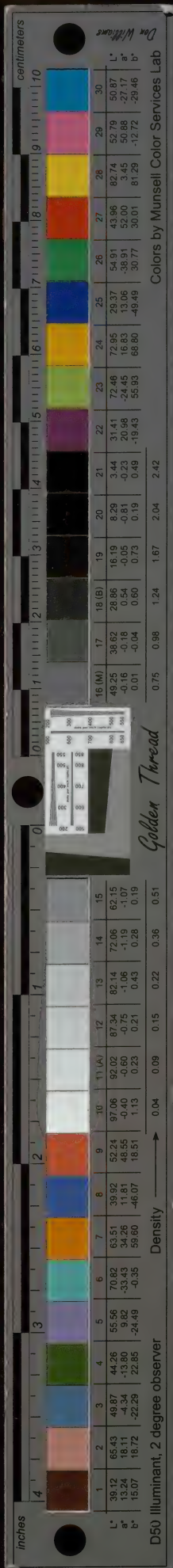
147	Philadelphia Record, Advertising	1-75-	
	Public Ledger "	1-20	
	Knechtbocker & Co for 1882	27-90	
	John A. Stevenson Librarian	11-10	
	James Bunt, Hardware	6-86	324.87
148	Joseph Newman, Lamp No. 65		285-

The following transfers
were approved.

Rebecca L. Hopkins to	Jacob T. Wainwright
Constantine Guller's Est - "	Peter Guller
Jacob T. Walrus "	Mrs Frances Beadle
Rebecca M. Hise "	James K. Hise
Eleanor P. Long's "	Wm P. Cufem
Wm Welsh's "	Mrs Mary Rhoads

The following presents
were received, for which the Librarian was
directed to thank the donors

Financial Reform Almanac, Etc - of	The Auburn Club
7 vols Report Bd of Indian Com ^{rs} " "	C. Whittlesey
Uniform of the Army of the U.S. " "	Gen E. Holabird
Waldschmidt " "	H. Phillips Jr
Proceedings Phila County Med. Soc. 4 vols " "	The Society -
Review of Sumner's Speech " "	EB Sewell
Oratory Hist. of Columbia " "	Postmaster Mudgett
N.Y. State Library Reports 1881-82 " "	The Librarian



Minnesota in 1882	Gift of	H. H. Young
Eminent Philanthropists (RB)	" "	B. W. Richards
Laws of Nashville	" "	W. R. McAllister Jr.
Journal of Councils Vol 2. 1882	" "	Councils
Geol. Survey Ohio Vol II	" "	Ohio State Library
Memor of Helen Tynedale	" "	Mrs Tynedale
Chief Signal Officer Rep. 1880-81	xxx " "	Chief Officer
Larkin, The Minister et	" "	The Author
Consular Regulations	" "	Dep. of State
Martin's Hope	" "	B. H. Owen
Long Island Historical Society Rept	" "	Society
Map ^{us} Historical Society Proceedings	" "	The Society
Dep. of Agriculture	" "	Dep. of Agr.
Prof Pappas Engeman	" "	Chief of Engemen
Epistles	" "	Bro Read

Geo Hamann Fisher
Secretary

At a meeting of the Officers

held March 1. 1883, present:

Oliver Crummett	Hutchinson
Biddle	Rank
Mowbold	Roll
Wish	The Treas

Buckley & The Secretary

The Minutes of the last meeting

were read and approved. The Reports
of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

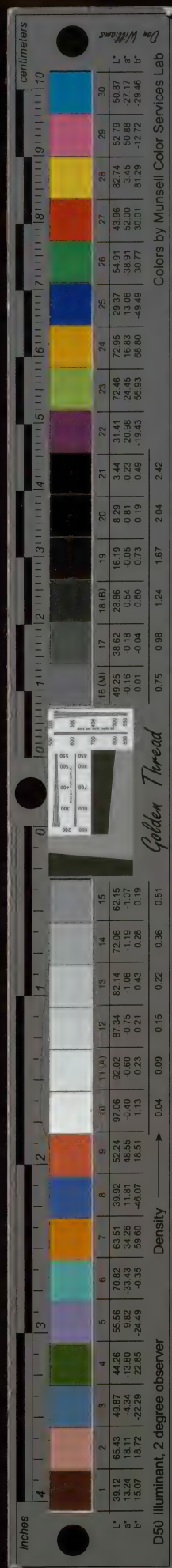
The Librarian reported that in accordance with
the instructions of the Board he had seen
the daughter of the man named Joby who had
been detected in secreting books; that she had
expressed great regret at the occurrence, had assured

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him that all books taken by Joly had been returned and had never been taken with felonious intent; that he, therefore, merely informed Mrs ^{Graham} Joly of the action of the Board in forbidding Joly to enter the building on pain of arrest.

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

L.C. 592	L P Smith,	Librarian	41.67	
		Treasurer	16.66	
	J.M. Abbot,	Apostle	125-	
	Ry Owen	"	58.33	
	Myer McClellan	"	40-	
	W.S. Phillips	Janitor	53-	
	Sunday Service	6 x 4	24	360-66
	Water Rent		32-60	
	Joe H. Sanderson,	Chairs	48	
	John Woods,	Repairs	10-50	
	James Hord	"	3.50	94-60
R B 149	L P Smith,	Librarian	158-33	
	J.M. Abbot,	Apostle	25-	
	R Samuel	"	41.67	
	E. McGrath	Janitor	60	
	Joe. Cole	Watchman	35-	
	Sunday Service	4 x 5	20	
	W H B Thomas	on a/c	100	440
150	Water Rent 1883		27-35-	
	John Woods,	Repairs	10-75-	
	Joseph Cranston	Repairs	10-	
	John Warranator,	Spittoons	18-90	
	James Farnston,	Kindling wood	21	
	Mcron & Bro.	Hauling ashes &c	16	104-
151	Adams & Son,	Cone		225-



The following transfers were approved

Charlotte Augusta Brown's Est.	to Miss Charlotte Augusta Brown
Wm's Dams' Estate	" Geo Crefson
Geo Crefson	" Caleb Crefson
Wm's Anderson's Estate	" Ann Richardson
John W. Wright	" George Wright
Morris R. Shanks Est.	" Barclay White
Hannah Smith	" Miss Mary Davis

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

16 vols. Cong. Documents Map - Gift of	Secy of Interior
History of the Two Americas	" C. C. Schaffer
New Jersey Archives vols.	" State
University of State of N.Y.	" Librarian
Production of Gold & Silver	" H. C. Burchard
Descendants of Wm. Richards	" The Author
Dir of Interior Register 1877-87	" Dir of Interior
U.S. Geolog. Survey Vol 2 & Atlas	" "
Colonial History N.Y. Vol VIII	" State Librarian
N.O. Directory 1882	" P.M. Handkefer
Catalogue of M. A. Library	" Librarian
Rep. Survey of Mineral California vols	" Surveyor Genl
Am Inst. Mining Engineers	" Institute
Clemons Eugene Practice	" The Author
Chambers Nest of the	" The Publisher
Montgomery Ridge	" John Thompson
Army Register	" Dir of War
Congress Directory	" J. J. Randall
Shenwood Primer	" H. M. Phillips
Statutes at Large vols	" Dir of State
War Dept - vol 4	" " War
Finance Reports	" Treasury
Keating's Yellow Fever Epidemic	" The Author

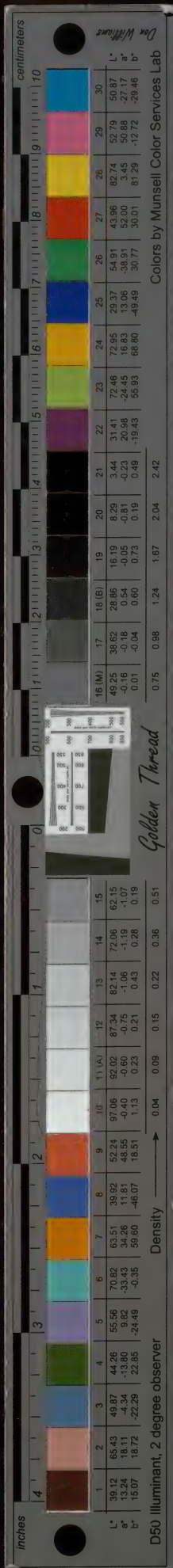
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Ad. H. Comm. Bull. J. of I. F. Band
 Ann. Geol. Survey " " " " " " " " " " " "
 List of Mexican Documents " " " " " " " " " " " "
 Report of Post Master General " " " " " " " " " " " "
 Geo. Harrison Fisher
 Secretary

At a meeting of the
 directors held April 5 1883, Present;
 Messrs Cram and Hutchinson
 Wicks Rawle
 Buckley Platt
 Mitchell The Treasurer
 & The Secretary

The minutes of the last meeting
 were read and approved. The
 reports of the Librarian and Treasurer
 were read.

Messrs Biddle and Platt were appointed
 a committee to examine the Treasurer's and
 Librarian's accounts. The Secretary was
 authorized to sign the usual notice of
 the election, to be inserted in the newspapers
 twenty days before the Annual meeting. The
 Hon. George Shawwood was appointed to
 preside over the Annual meeting of members.
 The matter of the preparation of an
 annual report was referred to the
 Executive committee with power to act.
 The executive committee was authorized
 to relay the flags, where necessary, in
 the front and side pavements, and
 to renew certain outside awnings.



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C. H. Grigg was appointed gardener
at a salary of
twenty dollars per month.

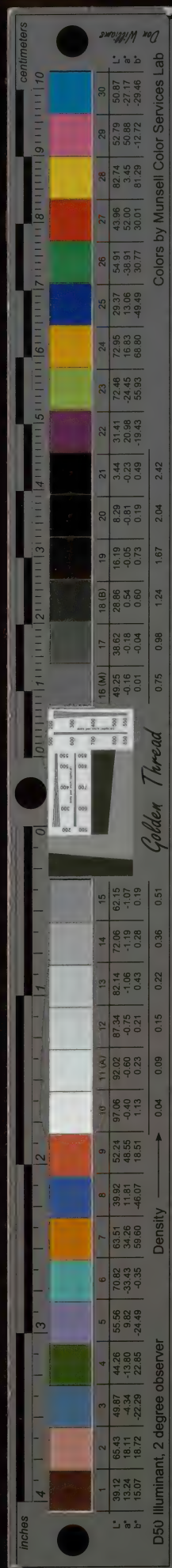
The Committee of Finance reported,
that it had been ascertained that the
Texas lands consisting of about 640 acres
to which the Library Company and the
Pennsylvania Hospital had a claim as
residuary devisees of the late Joseph Fisher
had been sold for taxes, but could be
redeemed at an expense of about sixty
dollars; that under the advice of Mr
Hawley, to whom this subject had been referred,
a remittance had been made, for expenses,
to Messrs J. J. Spence, Land Agents at
Austin Texas who had undertaken to
have the lands redeemed. It was stated
that they were worth from \$5.00 to \$10.00 per
acre.

The Committee on the
Redway Branch was authorized to employ
a gardener, to keep the grounds of the
Redway Building, at a salary of \$8.00
per week. The following expenditures were
also authorized: four rows of drawers
for catalogue cards, to cost about \$200.00
a new mowing machine to cost from \$18.00 to \$20.00
fresh gravel for walks and some
new shrubbery, to cost including labor about \$35.00

The Librarian was authorized to exchange "Morgan's vindication" of which the Library Company owned two copies, for books offered by Samuel Lewis.

The following rules were drawn upon the Treasurer

L.C. 584	L. P. Smith, Librarian	41.67	
	Treasurer	16.66	
	G. M. Abbot, Assistant	125.	
	B. G. Owen "	58.33	
	Miss E. McClellan "	40	
	Wm J Phillips Janitor	55.	
	Sunday Service Storks @ 4	20.	
	5 " " 2	10	366.66
895	G. B. Bowlin & Co. Coal	147.50	
	John Mann, Texas Taxes	60.	
	Insco. N. America. Premium 1893	7.50	
	John Maxwell, repairs	7.	
	Library Bureau, inkstands	14.83	236.83
	Gas Bill Iron crabs		226.77
RB 152	Lloyd Smith, Librarian	158.34	
	G. M. Abbot Assistant	25.	
	Samuel "	41.66	
	E. M. Gram Janitor	60.	
	John Cole, Watchman	38.75	
	Sunday Service Storks @ 4	20.	
	5 " " 1	5	348.75
153	John B. Sato, carpenter work	90.75	
	J. H. Mulligan, plate glass	15.	
	John W. Amaker, oil cloth	2.75	
	Bell Telephone Co. Rent	30.	
	Library Bureau Catalogue	22.50	
	John A. Stevenson, Lumber	28.08	187.08



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Gilbert Cope passing Mps	16-20
Turner Hamilton. Binding	8 122-21

The following transfers were approved

Sally J. L. Gorkus to	Susannah W. Gorkus
C. A. Hollingsworth "	Franklin Platt
Frank M. Etting "	Lela Wood
Ellen C. Christian's Est "	Mary B. Christian
Ann Stearns's Est "	John Stearns
Joseph A. Clays Est to	Wm B. Burr

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

10th Census - Public Subsidies	Gift of	Wm J. Randall
U. S. Constitution 1882	"	"
10th Census, Compendium	"	"
Commerce & Navigation	"	"
St Louis Directory of 1882	"	P. M. Hurd
Baltimore "	"	"
Compt of Indian Affairs. Report	"	The Compt
Indiana Geology 11th "	"	State Geologist
Works of Hobbes 16 vols	}	Mrs Butler
Wright on Building Associations		
Volis, Conquest Mexico		
Mexi Régime Constitutionnel		
Parren - Science Politique	}	Hon B. H. Brewster
Guatem Trial - 3 vols		
Map of Alaska		
Guinevere M. M. "		
Abbot Lawrence	"	The Author

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History in 1880	Life of	H. C. Baird
Wendell Ancely	"	The Author
Penn State Board of Charters	"	the Board
Boston Records	"	" City Councils
Frazar, Thesis	"	" Author
Summer. Protection in the U.S.	"	" Author
New Jersey Report State Geologist	"	" State Geologist
Carroll. Moral Conference	"	" or Workman

At a meeting of the members held May 21 1883. Present

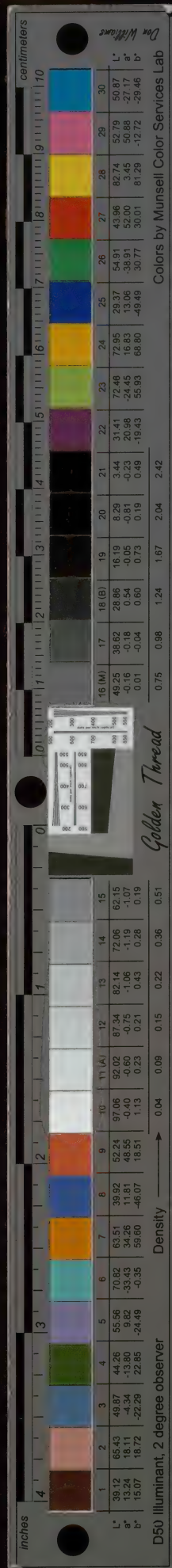
Alfred Cramond	Buckley
Biddle	Hutchinson
Knobel	Rawle
Wish	Platt

The Treasurer & the Secretary

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

On Motion of Mr Rawle resolved that the Library Building be kept open on Sundays, as usual, until further notice, and that the Ridgway Branch be kept open on Sundays until a different order be made by this Board or the Committee on the Ridgway Branch.

It having been reported that Mr W. H. B. Thomas expected shortly



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to complete his contract with the Company
as to the Rush papers, the question of
his further employment was referred
to the Committee on the Ridgway Branch
to report at the next meeting -

The Committee appointed
to examine the Treasurers and Librarians
accounts reported that they had per-
formed that duty, and had found the
accounts correct.

Resolved that Mr. W. be
added to the Book Committee, and
to Walling, now indisposed, be added
to resume his attendance at its meetings.

The Executive Committee was
authorized to close the Lower St. Building
during the period of the repairs necessary
on the flooring, and to perfect that work -
The L.P. Smith having in behalf of

himself and his brothers Messrs Robert P. Smith and
Horace P. Smith, presented the Library Company
with a portrait of the late John Jay Smith,
the Secretary was directed to thank the
donors, for the very acceptable gift of
the portrait of one who had so long
and so faithfully served the Library Company

The following transfers were approved

Benjamin H. Coates's Est	to	Mary Coates
Geo. L. Morris's Est.	"	Elizabeth Morris
Phileas J. Bell	"	Rev. A. J. Robinson
John T. Meigs's Est	"	Arthur Meigs
Mahinda C. Dolans	"	Emma Dolans
Anson J. Parsons's	"	Elizabeth C. Parsons
Church of the Covenant	"	Elizabeth R. Hatch

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to

R. I. Manual	Life of	Samuel J. May
" School Reports	"	"
" Registration	"	"
Thomas Notes & Pedigrees	"	"
Journal of Society of Arts	"	"
Printers Circular	"	"
War of the Rebellion	"	"

May 1883

At the Annual Meeting of the Members of this Company held this day at 3 O'clock P.M. in the Library Building, Judge Manswood was called to the Chair, and the Secretary of the Board acted as Secretary - The Secretary read the following Report

The Board of Directors are glad to report to the members the increased prosperity and usefulness of the institutions under their charge, viz.: The Library Company of Philadelphia, the Loganian Library, and the Ridgway Branch. The following is a consolidated statement of their combined receipts and expenditures during the fiscal year ending April 30th, 1883.

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Dr.

Balances from last year,	\$10,533 02
Interest,	1,146 78
Net income of real estate,	21,656 38
Yearly payments,	7,644 96
Subscriptions,	322 00
Fines, &c.,	413 37
Costs in Manners vs. Library Company,	6 25
Duplicate sold,	25 00
Furniture sold,	700 00
"Rush on the Voice" sold,	69 20
	<u>\$42,516 96</u>

Cr.

Books, binding, and catalogues,	\$10,337 70
Expenses and repairs,	6,858 59
Insurance,	7 50
Salaries and Sunday service,	9,078 93
Fitting up the new buildings,	2,779 33
Manuscript department,	1,222 20
Annuities,	3,880 00
Contingent fund,	1,065 02
Balance on hand,	7,287 69
	<u>\$42,516 96</u>

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The separate statement of each of the Institutions is as follows:—

LIBRARY COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.

Dr.

Books,	\$4,202 07
Binding,	766 35
	<u>\$4,968 42</u>
Salaries and Sunday service,	4,452 68
Expenses and repairs:	
Coal,	460 00
Gas,	503 98
Printing and advertising,	233 53
Attendance, gardening, cleaning, freight, &c.,	1,216 87
Repairs,	1,057 05
	<u>3,471 43</u>
Insurance,	7 50
Taxes and water rent,	1,608 45
Fitting up Locust street building,	1,472 25
Balance,	348 59
	<u>\$16,329 32</u>

Cr.

Balance from last account,	\$1,549 09
Interest and ground-rent,	119 52
Rents of Law Buildings,	2,662 50
" " Central News Building,	4,000 00
Yearly payments,	7,644 96
Subscriptions,	322 00
Costs returned in Manners vs. Library Company,	6 25
Duplicate sold,	25 00
	<u>\$16,329 32</u>

LOGANIAN LIBRARY.

Dr.

Books and binding,	\$413 45
Salaries,	700 00
Rent paid to Ridgway Branch,	600 00
Balance,	733 00
	<u>\$2,446 45</u>

Cr.

Balance from last year,	\$501 32
Bucks county rents,	904 64
Interest,	1,040 49
	<u>\$2,446 45</u>

x \$42.50 of this mo for book & paper

RIDGWAY BRANCH.

Dr.

Annuities,		\$3,880 00
Books,	\$3,784 07	
Binding,	638 93	
Printing catalogues,	575 33	
Salaries and Sunday service,		4,998 33
Expenses, coal, cleaning, gardening, &c.,		3,926 25
Fitting up new building,		2,931 29
Contingent fund,		1,307 08
Manuscript Department,		1,065 02
		1,222 20
		6,206 10
		<u>\$25,536 27</u>

Cr.

	\$8,482 61
	15,601 91
ary,	600 00
	700 00
	82 55
ice,	69 20
	<u>\$25,536 27</u>

do not include the Poulson Fund of which is to be applied to the purchase Philadelphia; nor the contingent fund, now \$3150.70, a fund created under Rush. The account is as follows:—

POULSON FUND.

Director of Charles A. Poulson, dec'd,	\$500 00
	5 29
Company for Insurances on Lives,	\$505 29

FUND OF THE RIDGWAY BRANCH.

	\$1,801 10
ay Fund,	1,065 02
	135 58

	\$3,001 70
B. 4's,	\$2,850 00
	151 90
	<u>\$3,001 70</u>

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at more than \$10,000 have been in books, binding, &c., and the new books, which is the largest for this purpose. This increased expenditure is due to the increased productiveness of the library in accordance with the suggestion in the last annual report. The continuation of the balance carried to

BOOK CIRCULATION, &c., 1882.
Street Building.

or visiting the Library:—

Females,	31,833
Visitors, males,	33,837
“ females,	30,267
Messengers,	8,344
Total,	38,611
	6,905
	<u>111,186</u>
Largest monthly attendance, March, 1883,	14,227
Smallest “ August, 1882,	3,615
Average monthly attendance 9265+	
Largest daily attendance, May 30th, 1882,	812
Smallest “ August 22d, 1882,	103
Average daily attendance 336+	
Attendance for year ending April 30th, 1883,	111,186
“ “ “ “ 1882,	104,167
Difference in favor of this year,	7,019

*Total Salaries \$9,078.93
plus
46 days
included in expenses
\$1,355.03
\$10,433.96*

Books & Binding

Lib. 4,568.42

Log 413.45

Gas printing 42.50

RB 4,498.33

Gas printing 575.33

4,423.00

9,762.37

True amount

Spent for Books

& Binding

also

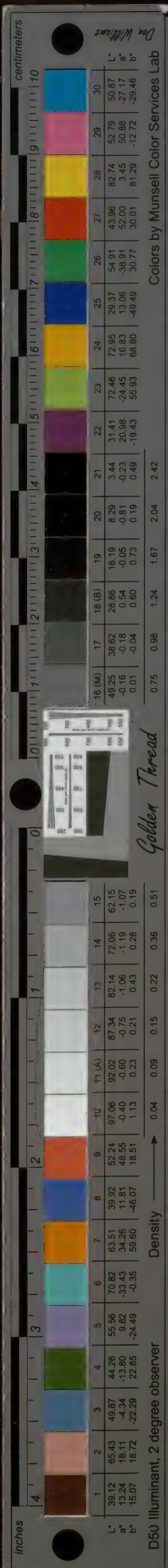
Attendance

Mary Gibbs & Co

Cost 480.50

in item called

"Attendance etc"



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Dr.

Balances from last year,	\$10,533 02
Interest,	1,146 78
Net income of real estate,	21,656 38
Yearly payments,	7,644 96
Subscriptions,	322 00
Fines, &c.,	413 37
Costs in Manners vs. Library Company,	6 25
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	<u>\$42,516 96</u>

Cr.

Books, binding, and catalogues,
Expenses and repairs,
Insurance,
Salaries and Sunday service,
Fitting up the new buildings,
Manuscript department,
Annuities,
Contingent fund,
Balance on hand,



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The separate statement of each follows:—

LIBRARY COMPANY OF PH

Dr.

Books,
Binding,
Salaries and Sunday service,
Expenses and repairs:
Coal,
Gas,
Printing and advertising,
Attendance, gardening, cleaning, freight
Repairs,
Insurance,
Taxes and water rent,
Fitting up Locust street building,
Balance,

Cr.

Balance from last account,
Interest and ground-rent,
Rents of Law Buildings,
" Central News Building,
Yearly payments,
Subscriptions,
Costs returned in Manners vs. Library Co
Duplicate sold,

LOGANIAN LIBRARY.

Dr.

Books and binding,	370.45	\$413 45	+
Salaries,	700 00	700 00	✓
Rent paid to Ridgway Branch,	600 00	600 00	
Balance,	733 00	733 00	
		<u>\$2,446 45</u>	

Cr.

Balance from last year,	\$501 32
Bucks county rents,	904 64
Interest,	1,040 49
	<u>\$2,446 45</u>

* \$42.50 of this was for book & paper

RIDGWAY BRANCH.

Dr.

Annuities,	\$3,880 00
Books,	\$3,784 07
Binding,	638 93
Printing catalogues,	575 33
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Salaries and Sunday service,	4,998 33
Expenses, coal, cleaning, gardening, &c.,	3,926 25
Fitting up new building,	2,931 29
Contingent fund,	1,307 08
Manuscript Department,	1,065 02
Balance,	1,222 20
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	6,206 10
	<hr/>
	\$25,536 27

Cr.

Balance from last year,	\$8,482 61
Net income of real estate,	15,601 91
Rent from Logonian Library,	600 00
Sales of furniture,	700 00
Interest on cash balance,	82 55
Sales of "Rush on the Voice,"	69 20
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	\$25,536 27

These statements do not include the Poulson Fund of \$500, the interest of which is to be applied to the purchase of books relative to Philadelphia; nor the contingent fund of the Ridgway Branch, now \$3150.70, a fund created under the will of Dr. James Rush. The account is as follows:—

POULSON FUND.

Amount received from executor of Charles A. Poulson, dec'd,	\$500 00
Interest,	5 29
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Cash in Pennsylvania Company for Insurances on Lives,	\$505 29

CONTINGENT FUND OF THE RIDGWAY BRANCH.

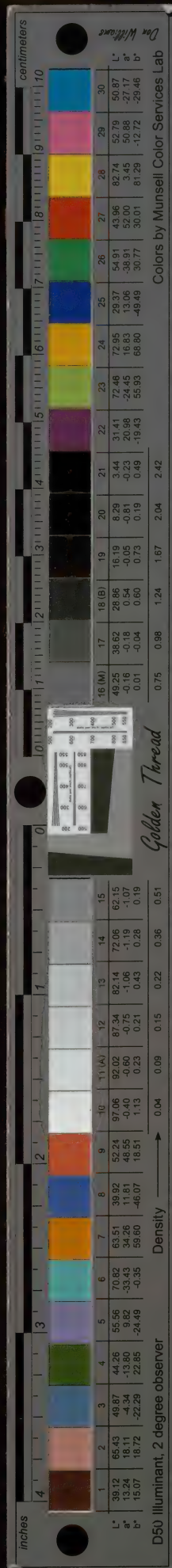
Balance from last account,	\$1,801 10
Appropriated from Ridgway Fund,	1,065 02
Interest,	135 58
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	\$3,001 70
Cash paid for 3000 P. W. & B. 4's,	\$2,850 00
Balance,	151 90
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	\$3,001 70

These accounts show that more than \$10,000 have been expended within the year in books, binding, &c., and the usual semi-annual lists of new books, which is the largest sum heretofore spent for this purpose. This increased expenditure was warranted by the increased productiveness of the endowments, and was in accordance with the suggestion of the Board to the members in the last annual report. The result is, of course, a diminution of the balance carried to the credit of the new year.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE, BOOK CIRCULATION, &c., 1882.

Locust Street Building.

Number of days open 305.	
Whole number of persons using or visiting the Library:—	
Members, males,	31,833
“ females,	33,837
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Visitors, males,	65,670
“ females,	30,267
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Messengers,	8,344
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Total,	38,611
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	6,905
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	111,186
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Largest monthly attendance, March, 1883,	14,227
Smallest “ “ August, 1882,	3,615
Average monthly attendance 9265+	
Largest daily attendance, May 30th, 1882,	812
Smallest “ “ August 22d, 1882,	103
Average daily attendance 336+	
Attendance for year ending April 30th, 1883,	111,186
“ “ “ “ “ 1882,	104,167
Difference in favor of this year,	7,019



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Whole number of books taken out,	39,889 ✓
Daily average, 130+ ✓	
Whole number of works added to the Library :—	
By purchase,	1,325
By gift,	107
Total,	<u>1,432</u>

In all 1638 volumes. ✓

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Catalogue cards distributed, copied at Locust street,	7,222
“ “ “ “ Ridgway Branch,	<u>9,384</u>
Total,	16,606
Add for the duplicate at Ridgway Branch,	<u>16,606</u>
Number of cards written and distributed during the year,	33,212
Total cards in catalogue at each Library,	<u>139,723</u>

Ridgway Branch.

Number of days open 275. ✓	
Attendance for year ending April 30th, 1882 :—	
Readers,	3,633
Visitors,	<u>9,052</u>
Total,	<u>12,685</u> ✓
Daily average, 46+ ✓	
Book circulation:	
Used in building,	8,040
Given out,	<u>1,212</u> ✓
Total,	<u>9,252</u>
Daily average, 33+ ✓	
Volumes added to Ridgway Branch,	1,867 ✓
“ “ Loganian Library,	35 ✓
“ “ Philadelphia Library, as above,	<u>1,638</u> ✓
Total for the year,	<u>3,540</u> ✓

It has been the increasing wish of the Board to extend the benefits of the libraries as far as possible to all classes of the community ; in other words, to make them as nearly as may be “public libraries.” The gratifying increase in the number of readers who, without charge of any kind, visited them, induced the Board to keep the library open for readers on Sundays, and this commenced in the Locust Street Library on the 5th of November, 1882, and at the Ridgway Branch on the 7th of January, 1883, between the hours of 1 and 6 o'clock P. M. The following is a statement of the attendance at each :—

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Locust Street Library.

First Sunday open, November 5th, 1882.	
Number of Sundays open 26. ✓	
Members, males,	215
“ females,	44
Total members,	<u>259</u>
Visitors, males,	1,828
“ females,	106
Total visitors,	<u>1,934</u>
Total of all kinds,	<u>2,193</u> ✓

BOOK ACCOUNT.—BEGUN SUNDAY, JANUARY 7TH, 1883.

(Books asked for at desk.)

January, 1883, 4 Sundays,	146
February, “ 4 “	138
March, “ 4 “	151
April, “ 5 “	<u>164</u>
Total, 17 Sundays,	<u>599</u>

Made up as follows :

Periodicals,	75
Religion,	18
Jurisprudence,	8
Sciences and Arts,	112
Belles Lettres,	101
Fiction, English,	102
" French,	6
History and Travel,	177
Total,	599

Ridgway Branch.

First Sunday open, January 7th, 1883.

Number of Sundays open 17.

Readers,	256
Visitors,	5,127
Total,	5,383
Books consulted,	434

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In their last report, the Directors called attention to the Manuscript Department of the libraries, commenced by the acquisition of the collection of papers of the late Dr. James Rush, and our former Librarian and Treasurer John Jay Smith, Esq. These are of great value, and have been arranged by Mr. W. H. B. Thomas, in a way which has quite justified the belief expressed by the Directors in their last report. It is hoped that the care which is given to this department will justify its increase by other contributions.

Since the removal of the Library to Locust street, it has not been the custom to close the Locust street building in the summer. This year, owing to repairs which are required on the main floor, it is found absolutely necessary to close the Library for the month of August.

By order of the Board.

GEORGE HARRISON FISHER,

Secretary.

At a meeting of the Directors May 10 1883

Willing Present

Mrs Cramond

Hutchinson

Arnold

Rawle

Mister

Platt

Mitchell

& Treasurer

The Treasurer read the returns of the Election showing that Charles Willing, David Lewis, J. S. Clark Ware, Henry Cramond, James S. Biddle, John S. Arnold, Charles Mister, Edward S. Buckley, S. Wm Mitchell, James H.



Hutchinson, William Rawle and Charles Platt were chosen Directors and Lloyd P. Smith Treasurer for the ensuing Year.

The Board then reorganized by appointing Messrs Harrison Fisher, Secretary and the following gentlemen as ^{the} Standing Committees:

Committee on Finance Messrs Biddle, Astor & Hutchinson.

Book Committee Messrs Milling, Hale, Gramond & Wister, together with the Executive Committee for the month.

On the Ridgway Branch, Messrs Buckley Mitchell & Hutchinson.

Executive Committee Two members in turn each month as heretofore.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

The reports of the Librarian & Treasurer were read & ordered to be filed.

The Book Committee recommended that a remittance of £250 be made to the London Agent Edward G. Allen and \$300. to McChristens in St. Louis which was agreed to.

In the absence of its Chairman the Committee on the Ridgway Branch were not prepared to make a definite report on the subject of the re-engagement of Mr. Thomas for one year; and, after discussion the matter was again referred to the Committee with power to act.

The Executive Committee recommended that the salary of Paul Carter be raised

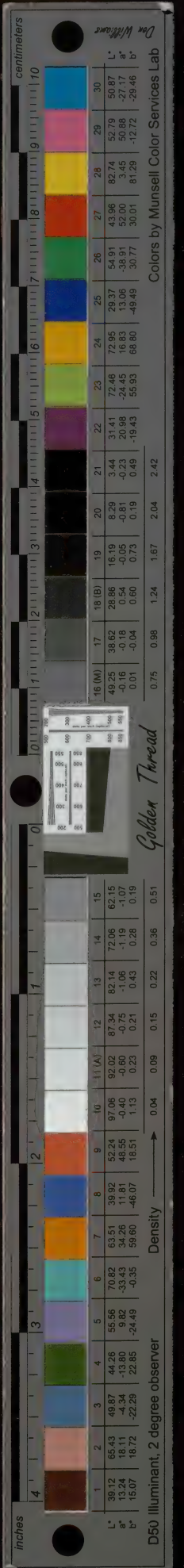
from \$5. - a week to \$25. - a month
and that of David Knobloch from \$3. -
to \$4. - a week: which was agreed to

The Committee on Finance recommended
that a purchase be made of \$1000. -
Bonds of the Pa. Wilmington & Balt.
R. Road for account of the Contingent
Fund of the Ridgway Branch, which
was agreed to

The following transfer was approved
Mary Anne Keefe Memoirs to Chas. Richardson

The following Orders were drawn
on the Treasurer

Library Company 597	Lloyd P. Smith Librarian	41.67	
	Treasurer	16.66	
	George W. Albot Assistant	125. -	
	E. W. Mellan "	40. -	
	B. G. Owen "	58.33	
	Wm. Phillips Janitor	53. -	
	Sunday Service	30. -	
	Gardener	25. -	391.66
598	James Hood. Repairs	10.50	
	James S. Smyth. Lumber for floor	210.76	
	John Wagner Expenses Election	26. -	
	" "	16.50	
	L. P. Lambdin restoring pictures	12. -	
	H. Hornacker Admings	44.26	
	Jos Burr & Co Stationery	13.50	
	Phil Granite Co Repairs	31. -	413.51
599	Taxes for 1882	1470.35	
600	Current Expenses for 1882	700. -	



Log 311 Lloyd P. Smith Librarian 3^{ms} 75.00
 Treasurer " 25.-
 George W. Abbot Assistant " 50.-
 B. Samuel " 25.- 175.-

R B 155 Lloyd P. Smith Librarian 155.33
 G. W. Abbot Assistant 25.-
 B. Samuel " 41.67
 Ed. W. Grath Janitor 60.-
 James Coll Watchman 37.50
 Sunday Service 5 x 5 = 25.-
 Gardener 4 weeks @ 9 36.- 383.50
383.02

F. P. Leggett Lawn mowers 23.20
 156 Gas Bill 3 mos 17.29
 Wm. Brogan Repairs 21.39
 R. Mc. Knight extra gardening 12.75 129.48
 Wm. Young Coal 50.00
 157 James S. Smyth Lumber 65.29
 J. W. Wallace Varnish 11.75
 Brogan & Smith removing coils 74.46
 James Brish hardware 23.78 163.28

F. P. Leggett Lawn mow.
 158 W. H. B. Thomas on a/ 100.00
 Gilbert Cope Inlaying W. S. 153.-
 " " " " 72.50
 Turner Hamilton Binding 25.00
 " " " 27.50
20.35 305.38

159 Mary C. Ritchie 6 mos annuity 500.00
 A. M. Rush " " 150.00
 S. C. Rush " " 150.00
 Julia W. Braden " " 900.00

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Richard H. Rush 1^{mo} Annuity 180.00 1940.00
 110 Current expenses to be accounted for
 by Librarian at the end of the year 500.00
1190.28

At a Meeting of the Directors held
 June 7. 1883 Present
 Myer Biddle Hutchinson
 Wistar The Treasurer
 & The Secretary
 No quorum being present, adjourned

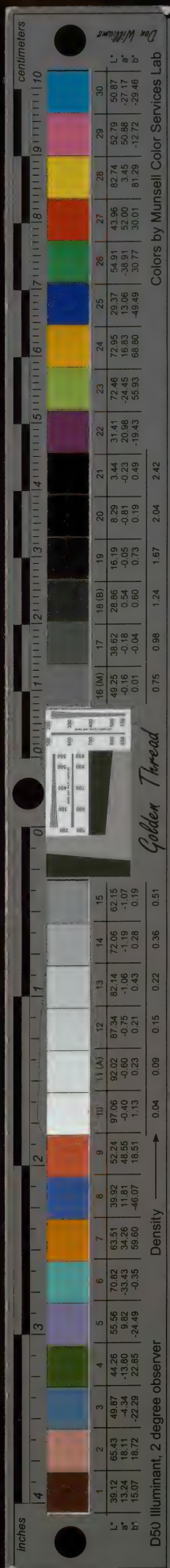
Geo Harrison Fisher
 Secretary

At a Meeting of the Directors held
 July 5th 1883. Present
 Myer Biddle Hutchinson
 Wistar The Treasurer
 & The Secretary
 No quorum being present, adjourned

Geo Harrison Fisher
 Secretary

Note. No meeting was called in August, the Louis-
 stine building being closed for repairs.

At a Meeting of the Directors held Sep 6. 1883
 Present, Myer Welling Hutchinson
 Gramond Platt
 Biddle The Treasurer
 Wistar & The Secretary
 No quorum being present, adjourned
 Geo Harrison Fisher Secretary



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At a meeting of the Directors held
October 4th 1883,

Present, Messrs. Cramond

Buckley

Biddle

Hutchinson

Wishu

The Treasurer

& The Secretary

No quorum being present, adjourned

Geo Harrison Fisher

Secretary

At a meeting of the Directors, held
November 1, 1883, Present

Messrs. Willing

Buckley

Hare

Mitchell

Cramond

Hutchinson

Biddle

Rawls

Newbold

Platt

Wishu

The Treasurer

& The Secretary

The Minutes of the Last Meeting were
read and approved.

The Reports of the Librarian and
Treasurer were read and ordered
to be filed.

The Executive Committee reported that
the colored woman named Margaret
Gibbs who for the past thirty
years had been engaged to clean
the Library, had for some months been
unable, on account of illness, to do
her work, but had nevertheless been

paid her weekly stipend - Resolved
that the pay of Margaret Gibbs be
continued one month, and that the
librarian be requested to report to the
next meeting her condition -

In reference to an original bust
of Dr Franklin, offered for sale by
Col Abert, it was the sense
of the meeting that the Library Company
was not in a condition to purchase
it.

The following communication was
received -

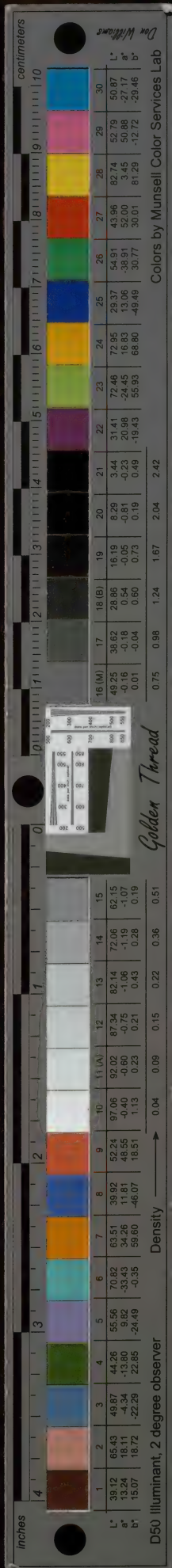
" To the Directors of the Philadel-
phia Library -

In conformity with a suggestion
of Mr Smith based on a resolution
of your Executive Committee dated
April 11th (sic) 1882, I beg permission
as a student of international law
engaged in the preparation of a work
on that and kindred topics, and
as a stockholder of the library, to have
the benefit of the indulgence offered
in that resolution under the restrictions
therein expressed -

(Signed) Francis Wharton

Oct. 20. 1883 "

This application was referred
to the book committee with power to act,
and directions to report a permanent
order of regulations for cases of the sort -



The Librarian reported that the gas bills for the Lower Street building were very large. He was directed to write to Mr William Sellers and request him to examine the governors and give his opinion, as an expert, thereon.

A remittance of \$125.00 to Mr Chubbuck was authorized.

The Committee on Finance was authorized to invest the Bondson Fund in such securities as to them might approve.

The Treasurer was authorized to collect the dividend of the Fairmount Bridge Company to which the Library Company might be entitled.

Mr Newbold reported that certain persons, having purchased property at the South East corner of Fifth and Chestnut Streets, were desirous of obtaining a release of the restrictions as to building, held by the Library Company, Resolved, that Judge Hall and Mr Rawle be appointed a special committee to examine and report the nature of the Library Company's rights in the restrictions above referred to.

The following transfers were approved

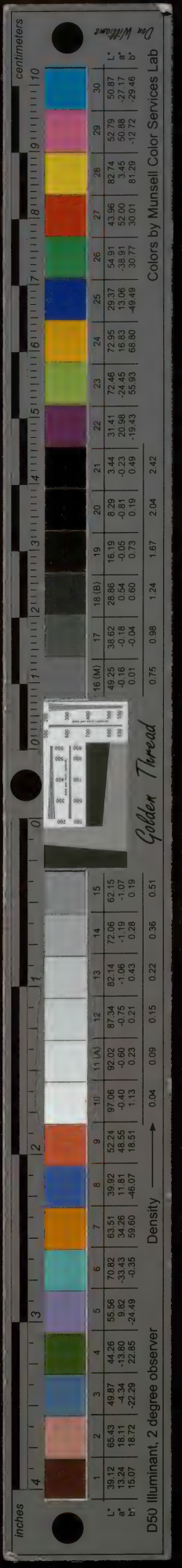
F. C. Brewster	to	F. E. Brewster
F. H. Humphreys	"	Rev. J. K. Conrad
J. B. Kinney	"	John Harrison
F. E. Brewster	"	Annie Earle
Samuel Sullivan	"	Alfred H. Hume
Robt. S. Prochall	"	Geo. L. Knobel
Anna P. Anderson's Est.	"	Wm. A. Williamson
Wm. L. Wells's	"	Francis Wharton
Levi Dickson's	"	Susan Allen Dickson
Phoebe L. Walms	"	Susan Israel

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer;

L.C. 610	L. P. Smith, Librarian, 1 mo.	41.67	
	" Treasurer "	16.66	
	J.M. Abbot Assistant "	125-	
	Mrs E. McClellan " "	40-	
	B.H. Owen " "	58.33	
	Paul Garber " "	25-	
	Sunday Service 4 weeks @ 6	24	
	W. J. Phillips, Janitor	55-	
	W. Briggs Gardener	20	405.66
611	James M. Grath, curb stone		203.07
R.B. 173	L. P. Smith, Librarian 1 mo.	158.33	
	E. M. Abbot, Assistant	25-	
	B. Samuel " "	41.57	
	E. M. Grath, Janitor	60-	
	Jas. Coll, Watchman	38.75-	
	Sunday Service, 4 weeks @ 6	24-	
	Gardener 5 " @ 9	45-	392.75
174	William Young, Coal	479.50	
	James Funston, wood	25-	
	Jas Rice	11.78	
	Robt. do, oil clock	4.04	480.32
175	Amman's due 24 th inst.		19.40
176	Manuscript Department		100-

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

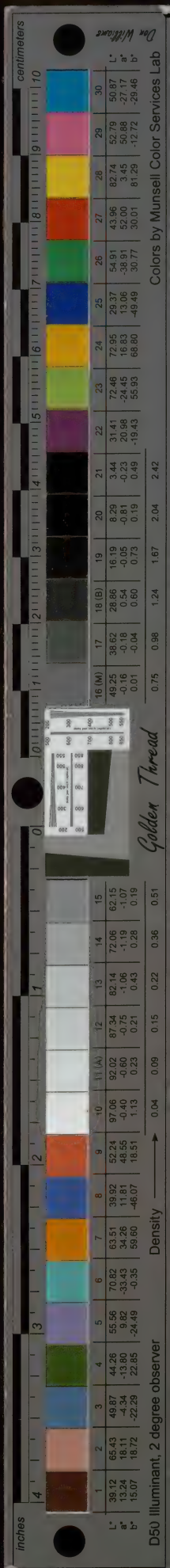
Warren Court Martindale	Gift of	Gen. Sheridan
Rept. Chief of Ordnance	"	" Benet
Gray Book, Charleston	"	The Mayor
Westbrook; Marriage et	"	The Author



Page	Gift of
Carte... della Citta di Roma	of Conte Rjot
Calendars & St. Britain 9 vols	" The Minister of Foreign Affairs
Cellini (Vide) Plan	" of the Master of the Palace
Report, Chief of Engineers 3 rd	" Horace Moses Esq
Campaign of Virginia '64-65	" Gen Wright U.S.A
Ordinances, Phila 1852	" " Humphreys
Foreign Relations	" Councils
Am. Ephemeris 1886	" Secy of State
Annals. Genl. Secy of Mechanics	" Superintendent
Mass. Board of Agriculture 3 rd	" the Society
Romancero du Pays Basque	" Secretari
Parieu - Principe de la Science politique	" H. Phillips Esq
Cincinnati S. Railway Surveys	" Mrs Balch
Kansas Biennial Report	" H. H. Tatem
Cincinnati Pub. Library Bulletin 1882	" Wm Sims
Dicwell's Review of Baskat	" the Librarian
U. States War of the Rebellion 3 rd	" " Author
Compendium of the Census	" " " "
History of War (Medical)	" Surgeon General
Wisconsin Hist. Soc. Collection vol 9	" the Society
Stirlings of Craigherward	" Sir Gt. Stirling
First Regt. Inf. Nat. Guard Penna.	" the Regiment
Councils Journal vol 2 1852	" Councils
Penna. Sec. Int. Affairs	" J. Simpson Africa
Life Saving Service	" Chief Officer
N. Jersey Archives vol 7	" Hist. Soc. N. J.
Smithsonian Report	" Institution
Council of Phila Journal vol 2	" Councils
Surgeon General of the Navy	" Surgeon General
U. S. Coast Survey 1851	" Superintendent
Driving Maps of Phila	" L. O. Smith
Mackellar's hymns	" Author
Mathews Most glorious star	" R. M. Luther

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Fortifications of to day	Gift of Genl. Wright
Disuells free trade examined	" H. C. Baird
Norwells Progress of Photography	" Dr. E. Wallace Jr
Orbit (S.F.) Life of Litchworth	" P. P. Pratt
Memoir of Edward Shippen	" L. Lewis Jr
Germantown Telegraph 1851-53	" Publisher
Honourable Artillery Co 2 vols	" Capt G. A. Raikes
First Regt. Militia	" " " " " "
Catalogue of the Leiser Library	" the Librarian
" Moravian books	" Dr. Malin
In Memoriam J. M. Ogden	" C. S. Ogden
Census Population	" Secy. Interior
War of Rebellion vol 9	" Hon B. J. Randall
Index Catalogue vol 4	" Dr. Billings
Peabody Institute (Baltimore) Cat.	" the Trustees
Hubbel Family	" Author
S. Carolina Agricultural Rept	" Commissioner
Standard Supply Table U.S.A.	" Surg General
Wharton Med Jurisprudence	" Author
Conflict of Law	" " "
Olden Days in the Militia	" J. W. Huff
Prot. Epis. Church. Book Annexed	" Joint Committee
N.Y. Produce Exchange Report 1853	" Exchange
Chaff	" J. S. Westcott
Circular Bureau of Education 3 rd	" Dept. of the Int.
Prindle poems	" Author
Astronomical Observation	" Superintendent



At a special meeting of the Directors
held Nov. 9. 1893

Present.

Myers Willing

Hutchinson

Cramond

Rawle

Biddle

Platt

Buckley

The Treasurer

& the Secretary.

Mr Rawle of the special Committee
appointed at the last meeting presented the
following

Report

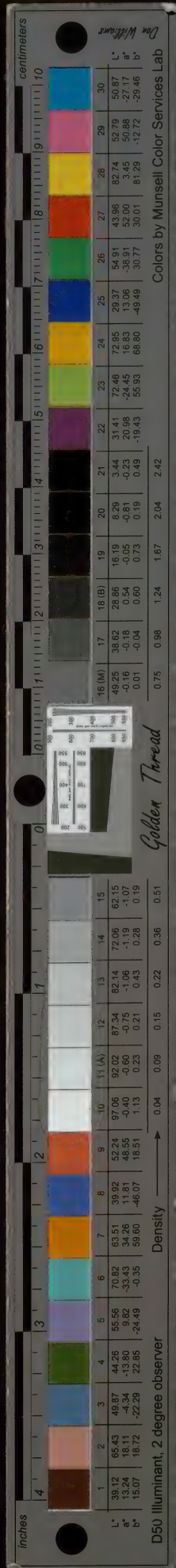
The Committee to whom was referred the
consideration of the question of the restrictions
in favor of the Library Company upon the lots
of ground adjoining the present property of
the Company at Fifth and Library Streets
to the Northward; Respectfully report as follows:

Prior to 1891, the Library Company had
purchased the lot bounded by Library Street,
Fifth Street and Chestnut Street, extending
East from Fifth Street 83 feet 6 inches. At
the corner of Fifth and Library Streets, "a brick
hall" 74 feet in depth from Library Street
had been erected.

By deed of 10th December 1891, reciting that
the Company "judged it proper to dispose of
" the Northern parts of the said two lots upon
" ground rent reserving nevertheless, certain rights
" privileges and conveniences for light, air and
" more commodious passage" therein after mentioned
in consideration of the rent reservations and
covenants and the sum of five shillings

therein after contained, on the part of the said
Kuhn and Fox, their heirs, Executors, Adminis-
trators and assigns, granted to Kuhn and Fox
and their heirs the portion of the said lot
of ground situated on Chestnut Street, of the
depth of one hundred feet. " Excepting never-
" theless one of this present grant the right-
" and privilege of erecting any building what-
" soever other than privies or other necessary
" houses, fence or wall not exceeding the height
" of eight feet from the level of the footway
" of Fifth Street nearer to the Library lot than
" the distance of ninety feet from the south-
" side of Chestnut Street, whereby twenty feet
" in breadth, north and south from the west-
" to the East line of the lot shall for ever
" hereafter be left unbuild other than as
" aforesaid for the better accommodating
" the Library on the North side with light-
" and air and for its greater security
" from fire " reserving a partly ground
" rent, which the grantors covenanted to
" pay. And they further covenanted that
" neither they, their heirs or assigns, shall or
" will erect any building whatsoever other
" than is hereinbefore allowed to be built on
" the Southwardmost twenty feet of the lot-
" hereby granted from the Westwardmost to
" the Eastwardmost bounds thereof, but will
" forever leave the same open and un-
" built as aforesaid for the accommodating
" the Library with light and air from
" the Northward "

The covenant



not to build, has been complied with by Kuhn and Fox and their successors in title.

When the "brick hall" was erected or perhaps shortly afterwards, two windows were opened in the North wall near its centre. About the year 1835, the Library Company erected what is now called the "L" being at the North Eastern corner of the Company's remaining property. About the year 1830, it erected the "Law Buildings" for the purpose of extending their library convenient on part of the upper floor and retaining the remainder. In many years previously, the lot now occupied by the Law Buildings had erected upon it one or perhaps two low buildings for the accommodation of two fire companies. In the year 1881, the Company opened two windows in the North wall of the Law Buildings.

The effect of the erection of these two buildings, the "L" and the "Law Buildings" is to deprive the "brick hall" of all light and air from the North, except opposite the two windows which now form the head of the vacant space or yard, about 15 feet wide.

Whatever might be the position of the Company if, first, the object of the restriction had not been stated in the deed to afford light and air to the "Brick Hall" and if, secondly, the Company

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and not, by its erection of the "L" and the
"Law Buildings" itself deprived the greater part
of the "Brick Hall" from such light and air,
we think that under the circumstances the
right of the Company to recover substantial
damages for the erection of buildings on the
South End of the Chestnut Street lots would
be at least doubtful, and however this
may be, we do not think that a Court
would enjoin the erection of such buildings,
but would leave the Company to its legal
remedy

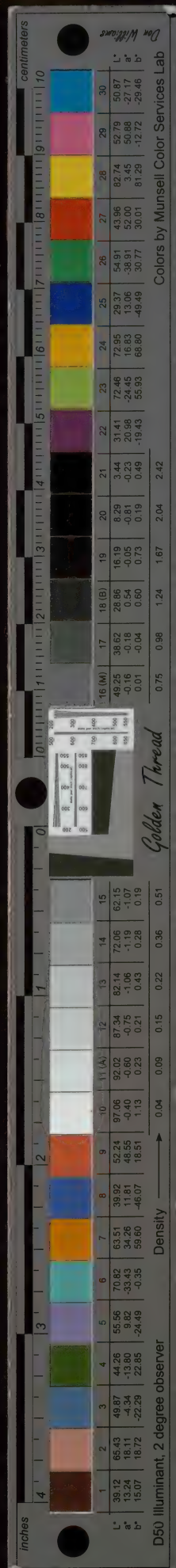
(Signed) J. S. Clark Hale

(Signed) Wm Henry Rawle

November 1883.

Upon motion of Mr Rawle, it was
Resolved; that upon the payment of \$2000.
to the Treasurer of the Library Company of Phil-
adelphia the said Company do release un-
to the several owners of the three properties
situate at the South East corner of Chestnut
and Fifth Streets and on the South side
of Chestnut Street below Fifth Street, contain-
ing in front on Chestnut Street eighty three
feet six inches and in depth one hundred
and ten feet, the restrictions in favor of the
Library Company as to building on the
southernmost twenty feet of their said lots
of ground and that the Secretary of
the Library Company, Geo Harrison Fisher do
execute all assurances necessary in the premises
and do attach the corporate seal of the Library
Company thereto.

Geo Harrison Fisher, Secretary



At a meeting of the Directors Dec 6 1883
Present

Mrs Milling
Hare
Cramond
Biddle
Knobold
Mister

Buckley
Mitchell
Hutchinson
Rawle
Platt
Treasurer

The Librarian's Report was read and ordered to be filed

The Treasurer reported that the share of the A. Reilly's was forfeited in May last for non payment of dues.

Also that a letter had been recd from Messrs C.R. Jones & Sons of Austin, Texas stating that they had a full description of the Joseph Fisher survey of 640 acres of land in Newton Co (of which the original patent to J^s Fisher dec^d is in the Treasurer's custody) forfeited for non-payment of taxes, but now redeemed by them as our agents & the title perfected in the name of the Library Co. As the Pa. Hospital is equally interested with the Library Co, as joint residuary legatee of J^s Fisher dec^d, they have cheerfully contributed one half of the \$60. - unpaid Jones & Sons last April to pay up back taxes & expenses. Jones & Sons note that there is another tract of 640 acres in the name of Fisher & Henderson on which J^s Fisher had been in the habit of paying the taxes, & about which they will make further inquiry.

Also that the amount recd in November for yearly & other subscriptions is \$132. -

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The Executive Committee reported that Mr. Wm. Sellers had given a favorable opinion in regard to the merits of the Thomas Gas Governor & the matter of its introduction into the Library was referred back to the Executive Committee with power to act.

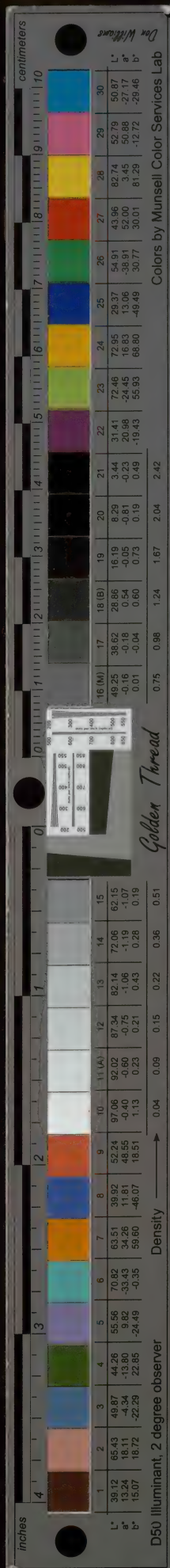
Also that the late cleaner Margaret Gibbs, who had been 30 years in the service of the Library & is now too old to work, declines to go into the Home for aged colored people. The Committee were of opinion that her pay ought to stop at the end of this Year, and it was so ordered.

The Finance Committee reported that they had declined an offer from John A. Montague to pay off part of his \$5000 - Mortgage on condition that the interest on the remainder should be reduced to 4%.

Also that they had invested the fund of \$500. - bequeathed to the Library by the late Charles A. Paulson for the purchase - with the interest thereof - of books relating to Philadelphia, in a 6% coupon Bond No 1212 of the Chesapeake and Annapolis Railway Co. Interest payable May & Nov by the Fidelity Co. The price was par and accrued interest.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch reported that, under their instructions, the Treasurer had examined the accounts & vouchers of Clifford Lewis Agent and found the same correct. The prop Rent Roll of the Rush Estate is \$24.248. -

Also that they had received a



letter from Mr. George S. Penty's asking for a greater allowance for some improvements than Mr. Lewis was willing to grant. The matter was referred to Mr. Lewis with power to act.

Also that, in their opinion, there was necessary work to be done during the present winter on the premises at Broad + Christian sufficient to keep one man constantly employed, and they recommended that the present Gardener should be retained in the service of the Co until next spring, which was agreed to.

The Book Committee reported that they had given careful attention to the question of extending special privileges to students, which had been referred to them by the Board. The following is the Resolution now in force:

Resolved, That the Book Committee be authorized to make special arrangements with any Member engaged in a systematic course of study or literary pursuit as to the number of books he may require in excess of those allowed by law. Such books shall be neither novels nor works in current demand; they shall be applied for in writing and returned upon demand.

This Resolution, already adopted, is deficient, except that:

1. Each application shall be made according according to the form now adopted by the Book Committee.
2. Each application shall be approved by the Book Committee before the books are issued.
3. The Book Committee will report

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monthly what books are out of the Library
under the privileges granted by the above
Resolution.

The Committee recommend that this
Resolution be re-enacted annually.

On motion the report of the Book
Committee was unanimously adopted,
and the Librarian was directed to
conform thereto.

The following transfers were approved

Charles D Cleveland's Ex to Wm Parsell
John Conrad's Ex " Walter H Conrad

The following presents were received for
which the Librarian was directed to thank
the donors

Seidenstuecker. Erste Deutsche Einwanderung in Amerika
Phila, 1853 Gift of the Author

Penn Reports 2 vols

" " R. Adams Jr

Vaccination Tracts

Anti Vaccination and Public Health Journal

Chronicle of James I King of Aragon 2 vols

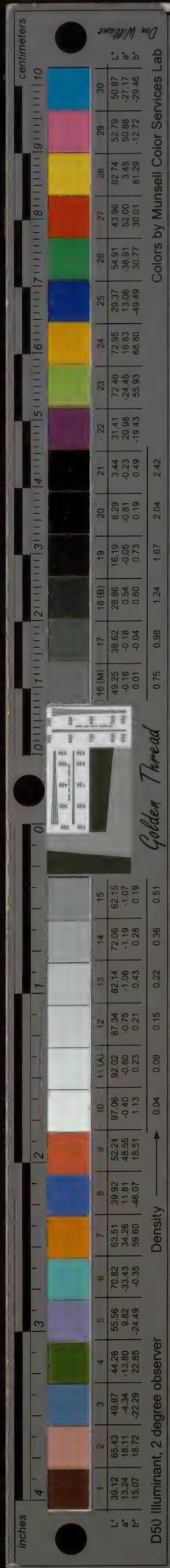
Don John of Austria 2 vols

Catalogue Bibliothecae Bodlianae,
Vital Statistics.

Mrs Biddle & Newbold were appointed
a committee to adjust the accounts between
the Librarian & the Trustees of the
Loganian Library.

Adjourned

Lloyd Smith
Secy pro tem.



At a meeting of the Directors Jan 3 1884
Present

Mess Willing
Cramond
Bridale
Knobold
Vister
Buckley

Mitchell
Hutchinson
Rawle
Hatt
and Treasurer

The minutes of the last meeting were read & approved.

The Librarian reported and laid on the table the Library Bulletin for Jan 1884 containing the accessions of the last six months. The large number of benefactors therein mentioned - about one hundred - is due partly to the fact that the Company prints the names of those who give books, and partly to the numerous letters written asking for books not in the market. Mrs Charles Howland of Wilmington presented five volumes of the manuscript correspondence of William Dillwyn - sometime the agent of the Library Co. in London - extending from 1770 to 1824. These had been placed in the MS. Dept. at the Ridgway Branch and the Librarian read a report made to him by Prof. Thomas, showing that they had considerable historical value.

The Treasurer's Report was read and ordered to be filed.

The Executive Com. reported that additional drawers were needed for the card catalogue, at an expense of \$260. - which was agreed to. Also that certain alterations were necessary in the room adjoining the Director's Chamber, amounting to \$24 - which were approved.

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The Com. on Finance reported that an examination of the accounts shows a steady increase from year to year in the amt. rec^d for subscriptions. The sum paid into the treasury since last May on this account is \$382.00.

The Book Com. recommended that a remittance of £10 - be made to B. R. Stevens London and \$50 - to W. Christen in N. Y. which was agreed to.

The Committee appointed to meet with a like Committee of the Trustees of the Loganian Library to adjust the accounts between them reported that there is due from the Loganian Library to the Ridgway Branch six hundred dollars for rent & expenses and from the Loganian Lib^y to the Library Co. \$68.37 for books & binding.

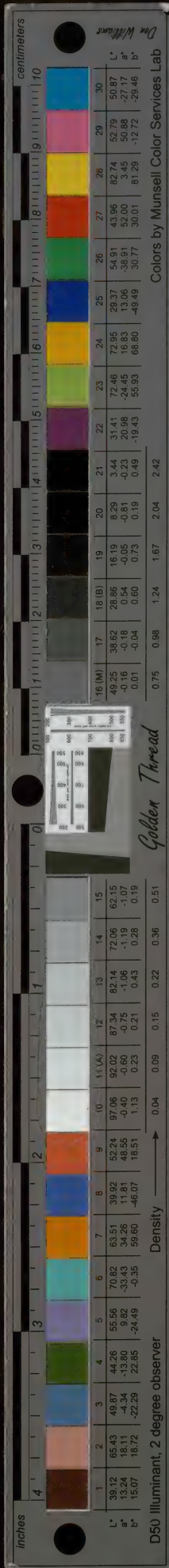
On motion of W. Newbold the following Resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That in recognition of the valuable books & pamphlets upon the geology of this country given to the Library Co. by W. Frederick Peine Jr, he be permitted to use the books of the Library Co. without any charge, during his life, subject to the rules of the Library.

The following letter was rec^d from David Lewis Esq. for 20 years a member of this Board;

Gent: I beg leave to tender to you my resignation of my seat in your Board, for which age & infirmity have utterly disqualified me.

I knew that this should have been done



long since, & the only excuse I have is one
I trust you will appreciate, my extreme
reluctance to part from my associates and
to quit a position which has been for nearly
thirty years a social and intellectual enjoyment.
I leave with you my regards & best wishes,
and take away with me the place of kindly
memories & most pleasant recollections.

Very truly your friend & servant
David Lewis

Jan 1 1884

In accepting the above resignation on behalf
of the Board the Secy ^{pro tem} was instructed to
convey to Mr Lewis the kind regards of the Directors
& their extreme regret in parting with so
valued a friend.

Nominations being in order to fill the vacancy
E. S. Buckley ^{pro tem} nominated Robert M. Lewis and D.
Mitchell nominated Francis W. Lewis, and the
Librarian was directed in sending out notices for the
next meeting to remind the Directors that an
election would take place, up to which time any
further nominations ~~are in order~~ might be made.

The following Orders were drawn on the Treasurer

L. C. P. 614 Margaret Gibbs	144.00
Lloyd P. Smith, Librarian	41.67
" " " Treasurer	16.67
George M. Allot Assistant	125.00
C. McClellan	40.00
B. G. Owen	58.33
Paul Barber	25.00
W. J. Phillips Janitor	35.00
Sunday Service 4 wks @ 6.00	24.00
	<u>529.67</u>

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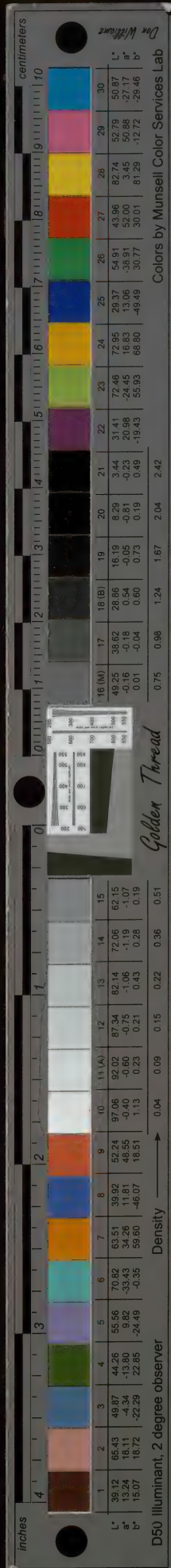
615. City of Philadelphia, Public Sewer 165.
 Ru Pegley Son Repairs 2.50
 Bell Telephone Co " 3.92
 Robert Buschner " 20.82
 J. K. Collins Printing 12.75 204.99
 616 Gas Bill 151.24
 Knickerbocker Ice Co. 41.53 192.77

B.B.
 181. Lloyd P. Smith Librarian 158.33
 George M. Albot Assistant 25.
 B. Samuel " 41.67
 O M Grath Janitor 60.
 James Coll Watchman 38.75
 Gardener 4 1/2 weeks 40.50
 Sunday Service 4 weeks @ 6 24. 388.25
 182 Simpson & Barrett Repairs 86.98
 " " 4.17
 John Woods " 20.50 111.65
 183 W & B. Thomas 1 month M.D. 100.
 Turner Hamilton Binding 52.50 152.50

The following transfers were approved
 S. Harvey Thomas to R. Howard W. Lewis
 Matilda Dale's Est. Richard Dale

The following presents were recd
 for which the Librarian was directed
 to thank the donors

Musee on Gems Gift of the Author
 Interoccenic Communication " S. Weir Mitchell
 Massachusetts Legends " " State
 Beals Phillips Coker Academy " " " Author
 Moulton's Science of money " " " "
 Wallace's Life of Bradford " " " "
 Dupont's Letters " " S. M. Dupont



Mayor King's 1st message Left of the Mayor
 Report on Education 1880 " " " Commissioner
 Regulations Med. Dep. C.S.A. " " Col Schofield
 Celtic Magazine vols 8 " " Dr P. H. Frazar

Dr Mitchell mentioned that the Surgeon General of the U.S. Army was very desirous of getting for the Library of his Bureau at Washington, a copy of Dr Morgan's *Vindication*, of which the Library has four copies; whereupon the Librarian was authorized to dispose of one copy for \$50. - or its equivalent in Books suitable for this Institution.

J. H. Fisher, Secy.

At a Meeting of the Officers held
 February 7 1884. Present

Miles Willing	Mitchell
Hare	Hatcherson
Bidale	Rawle
Arnold	Platt
Archib	The Treasurer
Buckley	& Secy

The minutes of the last meeting were read, and ordered to be amended as follows: "for 'Mr Platt nominated Robert M Lewis" read "Mr Buckley nominated etc." The minutes as amended were approved.

The reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read and ordered to be filed.

The Executive Committee reported.

that application had been made by the Executor of the Will of Thomas A. Reilly, for the restoration to the Estate of its share, the same having been forfeited in May 1883 for non-payment of dues. The application was granted.

The Committee on Finance reported that they had refused the request of W. Mose Wharton Esq. to reduce the rate of interest on his mortgage from 5 to 4 per cent or to assign the mortgage; and that they had not been obliged to consider the request of Mrs. Starnes for an additional loan of \$1000. As they had not that sum for investment.

The Book Committee reported that a balance of £108.6.5 was due Edw. G. Allen, of London and recommended a remittance to him of that amount. Out of the funds of the Railway Branch.

The following transfers were approved

Catherine A. Janvier	to	Eos. A. Janvier
Jos. P. Smith's Est.	"	Jos. Euben Smith
Sarah Lewis	"	Francis A. Lewis
Mary H. Biddle	"	Dr. Casper Arden
Casper Arden	"	Mary H. Biddle

A communication was received from Miss Elizabeth W. and Miss Julia



Allen, daughter of the late Professor George Allen, of the University of Penna., offering for sale the Chess Library formed by this late father. It was stated that the actual cost of this library had been at least \$3000. that it was the most valuable collection in America and surpassed by only one or two in the world. The Messrs Allen were willing to accept \$2500, on the following terms, five hundred dollars in cash, and the balance in instalments of \$500. or \$1000. each per annum. A Catalogue of the library, exhibiting about a thousand titles of books relating to Chess, accompanied the communication, and extracts from letters of various chess players and from different periodicals were read, certifying to the great value of the collection. On motion of Dr Mitchell, Resolved, that the Book Committee be authorized to purchase the Allen Chess Library, at the price of \$2500, on such terms as they may deem proper.

~~At~~ The Board proceeded to an election to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr David Lewis, whereupon Mr Francis W Lewis was duly elected.

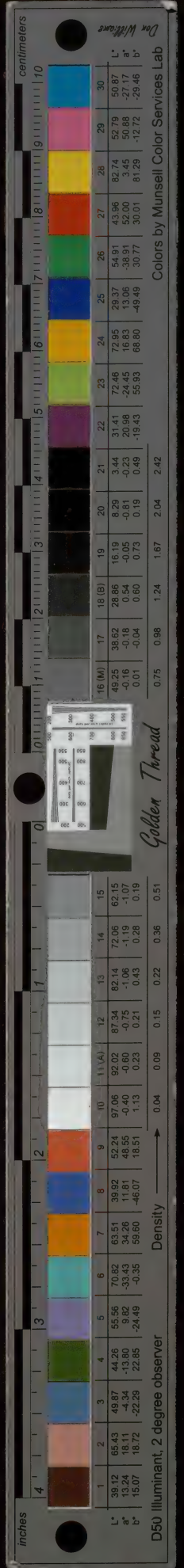
The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

L.C. 617 L.P. Smith	Librarian	41.67	
"	Treasurer	16.69	
J.M. Abbot	Appt. Am.	125-	
Miss E. M. Clellan	"	40-	
B. G. Owen	"	58.33	
Paul J. Foster	"	25-	
W. J. Phillips	Janitor	55-	
Sunday Service	5 @ 6	30-	391.66
618 Wm. McCarter	Painting	64-	
Bell Telephone Co	3 mos.	30-	
J.M. Abbot	on apt. sheltering	100-	184-

R.B. 183. L.P. Smith	Librarian	158.33	
J.M. Abbot	Appt. Am.	25-	
B. Samuel	"	41.67	
E. M. Galli	Janitor	60-	
James Coll.	Watchman	38.75-	
Michael Cunningham	Janitor	45-	
Sunday Service	5 weeks @ 6	30-	398.75-
184 John Astorson, lumber			8.83
185 W.H. B. Thomas. M.S. Department			100-

The following presents were received

Lea Church History, Gift of the Author
" Sacerdotal Library Gift of the Author
Compilation of laws relating to Marine Corps &
(Gift of the Secy of the Navy)
Rhode Island Orders for the use of the
General Assembly (Gift of Hon J. M. Addelman)



A treatise on the practice of the pension
 bureau (Gift of the Secy of Interior)
 Laws of the U. S. Government & Pensions &c
 (Gift of the Secy of Interior)
 Official opinions of Attorneys General (Gift
 of Atty General B. H. Brewster)
 Second trial of the case of the U. States
 vs John W. Horsey (Gift of Atty Genl.)
 Annual report of Attorney Genl (Gift of Atty Genl.)
 Census Manufactures of U. S. (Gift Dr. S. Weir Mitchell)
 U. S. Treasury. Annual report of supervising
 Architect. (Gift of Secy of Treasury)
 U. S. Agriculture & Investigations relations
 of the sorghum sugar industry (Gift of Commis)
 Cleman. Railroad Engineers Practice (Gift of the Author)
 U. S. Bureau of Statistics of labor &c (" " James Bishop)
 U. S. Patent Office Index (" " Commissioners)
 Journal of Society of Arts (" " Society)
 U. S. Report. Commissioner of Internal Revenue
 (Gift of Walter Evans Esq.)
 Kansas Third biennial report of State (Gift of W. R. Lind)
 Mass. Fifth Annual Report of Board of Health,
 lunacy &c (Gift of the State Board)
 Saranac exiles (Gift of Author)
 May (G. J.) The everliving life (Gift of Author)
 Texas & its resources (Gift of Commis)
 U. S. Coast Survey Report of Supt. (" " Supt)
 Hlocum (Chas. G.) Short history Hlocums (Gift of Author)
 Boston. Report of Record Commissioner (" " Commis)
 U. S. Interior Official Register (Gift Hon S. J. Randall)
 U. S. Annual Report of Commissioner of pensions (Gift Secy of Interior)
 Congressional Record vol 14 (Gift Hon S. J. Randall)
 U. S. Report of Manufactures of U. S. (Gift S. Weir Mitchell)
 Phila. Journal of Select Council vol 1 (Gift of Council)

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M.S. Report. Postmaster General (Gift Postmaster General)
New-York State Library Report 1880 (Gift of Librarian)

Prothonotary Fisher
Secretary

At a meeting of the directors held
March 6 - 1884. Present

Alfred Kane

Mitchell

Bissell

Kitchinson

Knobell

Randall

Wish

Place

Buckley

Lewis

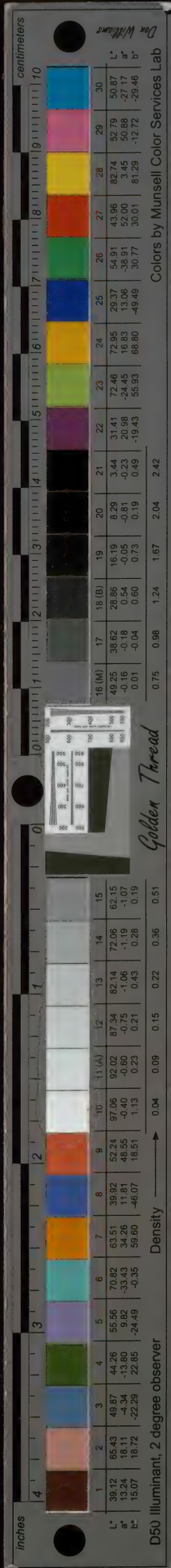
The Treasurer & the Secretary -

The minutes of the last meeting were
read, and after the insertion of the
report of the election of Mr Lewis, as
now stated, approved. The

reports of the Librarian and Treasurer
were read and ordered to be filed

Mr Knobel asked for authority
to invest, as soon as received, the sum
of \$2000. agreed to be given for the
release of restrictions, in favor of the
purchase of the property at the South-
East corner of Fifth and Chestnut Sts.
which was granted.

A communication was received from
Mr M. L. Frederick, proposing to engrave
a book plate for the Allen Knobs Library



after a design of which a drawing was enclosed, for the sum of \$25-
The Frederick's offer was accepted.

The Librarian reported that he had paid \$500- on account of the purchase of the Allen Chap Library, and given four due bills of \$500- each for the balance. On motion, resolved, that the matter of the obligations to be given to the Ex^d of Journals, be referred back to the Book Committee, for adjustment, with power to act-

A communication was received from the Historical Society of Penn^a offering a proposition for the exchange of certain duplicates — which was referred to the Book Committee, to examine that they might report to the Board.

Benjamin Owen having left the Library and additional labor having, in consequence, been thrown upon the other assistants-

the Executive Committee ^{recommended} the following additions to the annual salaries of the persons named

Mr. Abbot	200	
Miss McCallum	120	
Paul J. Arber	60	
David Rutland	<u>52</u>	432

which with \$34 weekly authorized to be paid to a new boy Charles Schofield on, 186
\$588

Amounts to
As against \$700, the salary of Benjamin

own, and issued in a saving to the
Library Company of \$112. This
change of salaries was agreed to -

Estimates were received for making
a new approach to the water closet,
and for making a new water closet,
of \$326 for the one, and \$285 for the other.
The matter was referred to the Executive
Committee with power to act -

The Librarian reported that Mrs J. S. Clark
Hare had presented to the library a collection
of 36 handsomely bound volumes of pamphlets
collected by her father the late Horace Binney,
covering the period from 1855 to the time
of Mr Binney's death, indexed by his hand
and forming a series of great value and
interest. The Secretary was directed
to convey to Mrs Hare the special thanks
of the Board, for her generous gift.
He was directed to send a like commu-
nication to Dr Samuel Thomas, for the
gift of a scarce and valuable list
of the Sunderland Library Sale.

The following transfers were approved -

Michael Waller - Com ^{rs} for Emily O. Lupton to	Michael Waller -
George Asbridge	" Francis J. Harrington
Wm D. Stroud's Est.	" Morris W. Shum
Proskerswoods "	" Wm H. Nordman
Wm Wisthis "	" Sarah Logan Wisthis



The following orders were drawn upon
the Treasurer

L.C.	619	Librarian	1 month	41.67	
		Museum	"	16.66	
		J.M. Abbot	Apostle	125-	
		Miss E. M'Clellan	"	40	
		B.G. Owen	"	24.17	
		Paul Foster	"	25	
		Wm Phillips	Janitor	53-	
		Sunday Service	4 weeks @ 6	24	387.50
620		James Hood,	repairs Law Building	11.88	
		Water Rent,	House & Pump	11.32	
		"	Sanitary	26	
		J. S. Dixon & Sons,	Alterations	24	73.20
R.B.	186	L. P. Smith	Librarian	158.33	
		J.M. Abbot	Apostle	25-	
		B. Samuel	"	41.67	
		E. M. Grant	Janitor	60	
		James Cole	Watchman	36.25	
		M. Cunningham	Gardener	36-	
		Sunday Service	4 weeks @ 6	24	381.25
187		William Young	Coal	204.75	
		J. P. Leggett	Hardware	15.24	
		Water Rent		21.15	241.14
188		W.H.B. Thomas	M. S. Department		100-

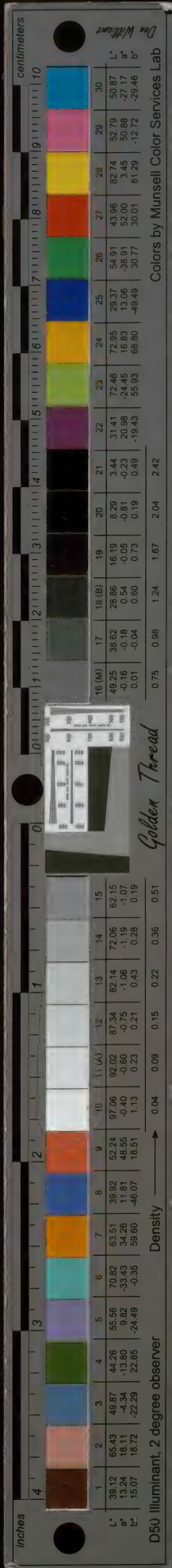
The following presents were received,
for which the Librarian was directed to thank
the donors:

M. S. Stokes	House Rep.	Our Holy Product	Gift. Secy. State
"	"	Tenth Census Population	" S. J. Randall
"	"	War of Rebellion vol 10	" " " "
"	"	Steel Vessels for the Navy	" E. Hale

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N. States	Report Relief of S. J. John Porter	Sept L. J. Randall
" "	Views of the minority.	" " " "
" "	Completion of Washington Monument	" " " "
" "	Ship Canals Chesapeake + Delaware Bay	" " " "
" "	Bureau of Education. Buffalo prize	" " Secy Int.
" "	" " Education Circular No 4	" " " "
" "	" " " " Education in Italy &c	" " " "
" "	Patent Office. Cal 1875-53	" " Librarian
" "	List of pensioners 5 nls	" " Commissioner
" "	Blue Book 1876-53 28 nls	" " Secy State
" "	Auditor of Railroads 4 nls	" " Commissioner
" "	Indian Commissioner Report.	" " " "
" "	Many Professional papers. Magnetics	" " Chief Bureau
" "	Annual Report Civil Service Comm.	" " Commissioner
Manual of Statistics		Sept R. G. Manning & Co.
Rambles Overland		" L. L. Thomas
Manufactures of Phila		" L. Blodget
Tena Rochford Smith		" F. J. Furnival Ltd.
Legislation on Insanity		" Geo. L. Harrison
Mass. Hort. Socy 1850-52		" The Society
Berra College		" College
Calaver		" J. W. Parkinson
Secy Int. Affairs of Penn Report		" J. S. Alvord
Actions. This Book		" Mrs L. A. Flannery
List Sunderland Library Sale		" Dr Sam. Lewis
Own Experimental physiology		" L. M. Mitchell

- Geo Hanson Fisher
Secretary



At a meeting of the Directors
held April 6 1884, Present:

Mrs. Willing	Hutchinson
Biddle	Rawle
Wobold	Platt
Wister	Lewis
Buckley	The Treasurer
	and The Secretary

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The reports of the Librarian and Treasurer were read and ordered to be filed.

On motion of Mr. Wobold: Resolved, that the customary refreshments provided at the Annual Meeting of the Members be omitted this year.

On motion of Mr. Archer, Resolved, that an advertisement of the Annual Meeting be inserted ~~at~~ in the "North American" newspaper.

Resolved, that the Executive Committee secure the services of a suitable person as chairman of the Annual Meeting. Mrs. Biddle and Platt were appointed a Committee to examine the Treasurer and Librarian's accounts.

The Executive Committee made a report recommending the building of the proposed new Water Closet on the west side of the hall, but on motion Resolved, that the consideration of

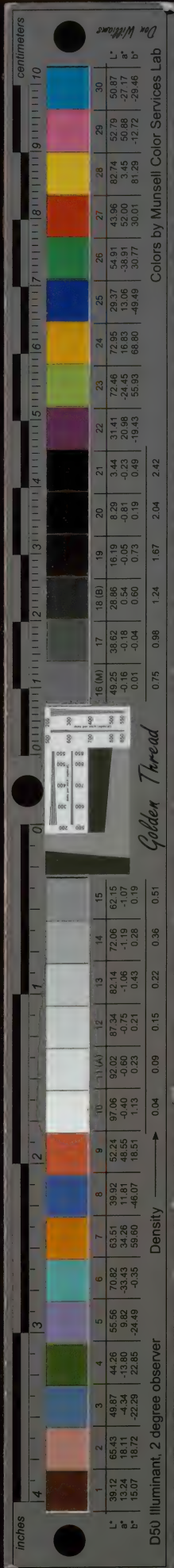
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the subject be, for the present, postponed -

Mr Buckley and Mr Wicks were appointed a special Committee to consider the propriety of selling the Fife St. property and to consider the price, with authority to call a special meeting to act on their report.

The Book Committee submitted the form of the obligations of the company, they had given to the Executors of Geo Allen deed, in consideration for the purchase of the Allen Chess Library - with reference to the proposed Exchange with the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, the Book Committee asked leave to report at a future meeting, which was granted -

The application of C. M. Manley, tenant of 15 & N. 8th, asking for the granting of a lease of the premises for 5 years to F. D. Salmer, was referred to the Committee on the Ridgway Branch with power to act. On motion of Mr Biddle, the Secretary was instructed, to inform Mr W. H. B. Thomas, that the Company while highly valuing his services did not feel at liberty to ask for their prolongation, after the completion of the year for which he was engaged.

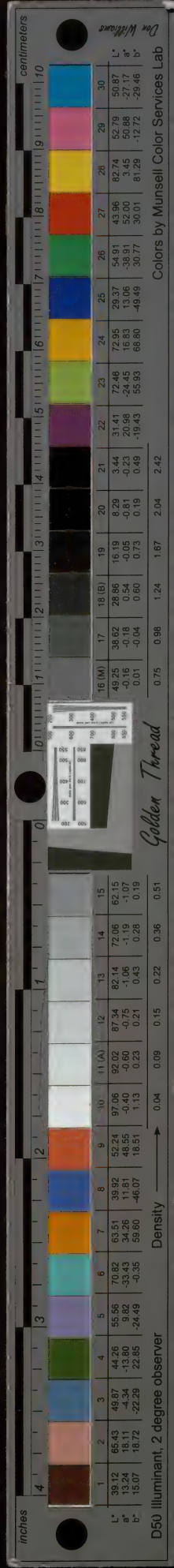


The following transfers were approved
 Harry T. Staley to Mrs. Mary Warren
 Samuel Stodd's Est- " Ellen J. Stodd
~~Anna~~ C. H. J. Collier " Amelia R. Lewis.

The following orders were drawn
 upon the Treasurer

L.C. 621	L. Plunkett Librarian	1 mo.	41.67	
"	Treasurer	"	16.66	
	J. M. Abbot Apptd.	"	141.67	
	Thos. M. Chellum	"	50	
	Paul J. Barber	"	30	
	David Knoblanck	4 weeks @ 5-	20	
	W. Phillips Junior		55-	
	Sunday Service	4 weeks @ 6	<u>24</u>	379
622	J. B. Newton clo.	Coal	150	
	Insto of N. A.	premium	7.50	
	Pegley stens,	Upstairs	2-	
	E. M. Grack	70 Catalogue drawers	<u>140-</u>	299.50
623.	Jas Bice	Catalogue drawers		169.87 13.83
R.B. 190.	L. Plunkett	1 mo.	158.33	
	J. M. Abbot	apptd.	25-	
	R. Stoddard	"	41.67	
	E. M. Grack	Junior	60.	
	Jas. Cole,	Watchman	38.75	
	Jardner	5 wks @ 9	45-	
	Sunday Service	4 " @ 6	<u>24</u>	392.75-
191	W. H. B. Thomas	1 month		100
192	E. M. Grack	to shelving	150	
	Knickertown M Co	1 year	25.04	
	Jas Bice		21.80	
	M. G. C. M. st	upstairs	<u>8.75-</u>	206.59

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At a special meeting of the
Directors called by the special committee
appointed to consider the question of the
sale of the Fifth Street property, held April 17, 1884.

Present, Messrs. Willing

Biddle

Ravolt,

Woolbold

Platt

Wick

The Treasurer

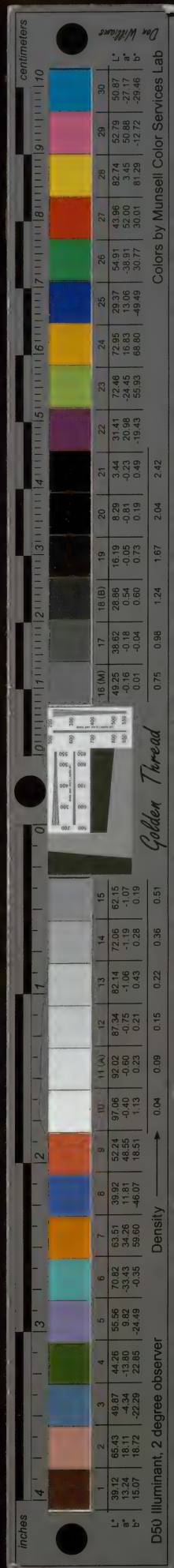
Buckley

& The Secretary

Hutchinson

The Board were informed that Mr. An-
thony J. Sorel had offered one hundred
and five thousand dollars in cash, for
the property of the Company on Fifth
St., South of Chestnut St., comprising
the Law Building and the Old Library
Building, subject to existing leases.

On motion of Mr. Platt, resolved,
that Mr. Sorel be informed that his
offer be and is hereby accepted, subject
as required by the Charter, to the
ratification of the sale by the members
of the Company at their Annual
meeting to be held on the Fifth of
May



At a Meeting of the Directors
held May 1 - 1884

Presnt Mypers Hare	Hutchinson
Biddle	Rau
Kutbold	Lewis
Wick	The Treasurer
Buckley	and
Michell	The Secretary

The minutes of the last stated
and the last special meeting were
read and approved

The Executive Committee were
requested to prepare and present a
brief report to lay before the Members
at their annual meeting.

A remittance of \$250. to Edw.
J. Allen of London, was authorized.

The Book Committee presented a
report recommending the Directors to
decline the offer of the Historical
Society of Pennsylvania, relating to
an exchange of duplicates; ~~because~~
(1) because but a single copy of each
of the works asked for, was in the
actual possession of the Company, (2)
because the arrangement would involve
unbinding other works (3) because in
the Committee's opinion the works
offered in exchange were of no
great importance.

The Book
Committee were requested to examine
the rules relating to the members

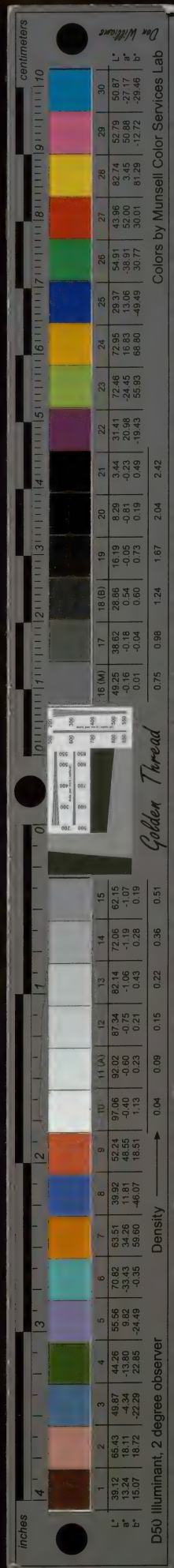
579.
of volumes that may be given out
to each person, and to report, whether
any and what changes should be
made therein.

The Committee on the
Ridgway Branch recommended
that the room corresponding to that
devoted to the Allen Claps Library,
on the other side of the Mausoleum,
should be shelved in a similar
manner, which was agreed to.

The Committee appointed to
examine the Treasurers and Librarians
accounts, reported that they had
performed that duty, and found the
accounts correct.

The Secretary stated that
he had received from the Anthony
J. Drexel, a written confirmation
of his offer as reported to the
Board and accepted at its
last special meeting.

The Finance Committee
were authorized to invest the sum
of one hundred and five thousand
dollars, when received on account
of the sale of the Fifth Street property.



May 5 1884

At the Annual meeting of the Members of the Company held this day, at three o'clock P.M. - Judge Bidwell was called to the Chair, and the Secretary of the Board acted as Secretary. The Secretary read the following Report.

Library Company of Philadelphia.

MAY, 1884.

The Directors Respectfully Report—

That about two months ago an application was made to them by Messrs. Drexel & Co., owning the property at the south-east corner of Fifth and Chestnut streets, to know for what consideration the company would release to them a restriction it holds on the property extending for twenty feet to the northward of its line, against buildings more than eight feet high. A committee was appointed to consider the matter, who reported in favor of accepting an offer made to them of \$2000 for executing the release, and this was agreed to by the Board.

Negotiations were afterwards reopened with the Board, and this time for the purchase of the Law Buildings. These negotiations have finally resulted in the sale to Mr. Anthony J. Drexel, not only of the Law Buildings, but also of the old Library Building adjoining, being all the Company's property at Fifth and Library streets, for \$105,000, subject to the approval of the Company at its annual meeting.

The total expenditure for books and binding during the past year was \$7510.10. This includes a payment of \$500 out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch on account of the purchase of the Chess Library of the late Prof. George Allen, of the University of Pennsylvania, a collection which has no superior anywhere, and which embraces over nine hundred titles. A special room has been assigned to it in the building at Broad and Christian streets, where a chess table has been provided for the use of amateurs and students of this intellectual game.

The Directors are gratified to report a steady increase in the number of yearly, half-yearly, and quarterly subscribers.

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE, BOOK CIRCULATION, &c.

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Number of persons using or visiting the library :

NOTE.—The library was closed during the month of August,
making a difference in the attendance of about 4,000
Whole number of books taken out, 37,360
Daily average, 136+

By purchase,	I,393
“ gift,	291

Total,	1,684
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In all 2039 volumes.

Attendance, members, males,	492
“ females,	44

Visitors, males,	4,368	53
" females,	167	
	<hr/>	4,535
Total,		<hr/> 5,071

Number of books consulted, 1,418.

Average for each Sunday, 30+

Copied at Locust street,	6,904
“ “ Ridgway Branch,	12,736

Total,	19,640
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Add for the duplicate at Ridgway Branch,	19,640
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Number of cards written and distributed during year. . .	39,280
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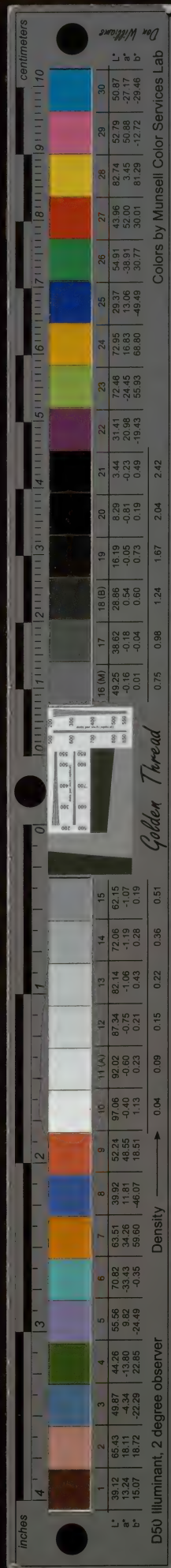
Total cards in catalogue at each library, 159,363

Attendance for year ending April 30th, 1884:

Readers,	2,530
Visitors,	5,419

Total,	7,949
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Daily average, 29+



Book circulation :

Used in building,	6,761
Given out,	1,561
Total,	<u>8,322</u>

Daily average, 30+

Volumes added to Ridgway Branch,	2,410
“ “ “ Loganian Library,	15
	<u>2,425</u>

Number of Sundays open, 48.

Attendance, readers,	533
“ visitors,	5,195
	<u>5,728</u>

Average attendance at the Ridgway Branch on Sunday, 110+

Books read,	934
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Average per Sunday, 17+

Total number of volumes added to both libraries,	4,464
Total number of persons visiting both libraries,	130,486

The receipts and expenditures of the Company, and of the several trusts confided to it, are as follows:—

LIBRARY COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.

DR. Books,	\$3,573 62
Binding,	841 23
	<u>\$4,414 85</u>
Coal and gas,	952 73
Printing and advertising,	147 55
Cleaning, ice, freight, postage, and incidentals,	961 73
Repairs and improvements,	1,903 51
Insurance,	7 50
Taxes and water rent,	1,506 67
Salaries and Sunday service,	4,877 15
Balance,	1,716 50
	<u>\$16,488 19</u>
CR. Balance from last account,	\$348 59
Interest and ground rents,	107 61
Rents of law buildings,	2,384 41
“ “ Central News Company,	4,000 00
Yearly payments,	7,608 88
Subscriptions,	556 00
Loganian Library, for books imported \$69 37	
Duplicates sold,	50 00
	<u>119 37</u>
Taxes refunded,	30 00
Release of restrictions on Fifth street property,	1,333 33
	<u>\$16,488 19</u>

RIDGWAY BRANCH.

DR. Annuities,	\$3,880 00
Books,	\$2,174 49
Binding,	800 05
Printing catalogues,	495 37
	<u>3,469 91</u>
Salaries and Sunday service,	4,602 00
Incidental expenses,	\$1,382 65
Coal and ice,	837 09
	<u>2,219 74</u>
Repairs and improvements,	488 90
Contingent fund,	1,172 19
Manuscript department,	2,193 15
Balance,	4,965 56
	<u>\$22,991 45</u>
CR. Balance from last year,	\$6,206 10
Net income of real estate,	16,030 87
Rent from Loganian Library,	600 00
Sales of furniture,	10 00
Interest and dividend,	106 28
Sales of “ Rush on the Voice,”	38 20
	<u>\$22,991 45</u>

CONTINGENT FUND OF THE RIDGWAY BRANCH.

Dr. Cash for \$1000 P. W. & B. 4's,	\$940 00
Alterations in No. 1200 Callowhill street, . . .	400 00
Balance,	147 55
	<u>\$1,487 55</u>
Cr. Balance from last year,	\$151 70
Transferred from the funds of Ridgway Branch	1,172 19
Interest,	163 66
	<u>\$1,487 55</u>

POULSON FUND.

Dr. Cash for \$500 Bond of the Corning, Cowan- esque & Antrim R. R Co.,	\$501 00
Balance,	9 10
	<u>\$510 10</u>
Cr. Balance from last year,	\$505 29
Interest,	4 81
	<u>\$510 10</u>

LOGANIAN LIBRARY.

Dr. Salaries,	\$700 00
Rent paid to Ridgway Branch,	600 00
Incidental expenses,	126 22
Books,	150 38
Binding,	39 70
Balance,	1,222 51
	<u>\$2,838 81</u>
Cr. Balance from last year,	\$733 00
Bucks County ground-rents,	940 39
Interest,	1,165 42
	<u>\$2,838 81</u>

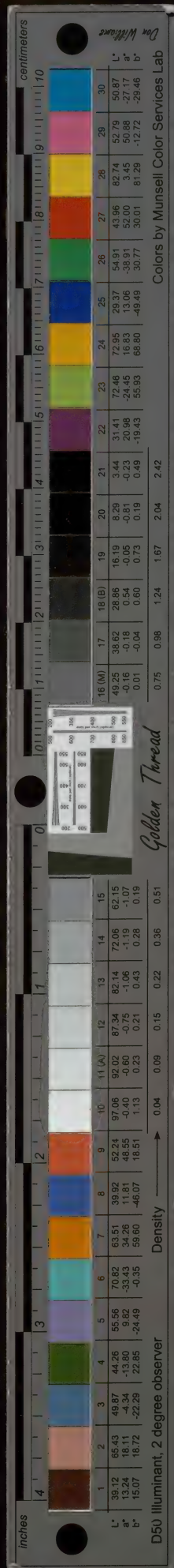
By order of the Board.

GEO: HARRISON FISHER,
Secretary.

May 5th, 1884.

Resolved That the agreement of the Board of Directors to sell to Anthony & Drexel the land and buildings of the Company situated on the East side of Fifth Street south of Chestnut Street for the sum of \$105,000 in cash subject to existing leases, be and the same is hereby approved, and the Board of Directors are hereby authorized to do all things necessary to carry the sale into effect.

Resolved That a stock vote be taken on this question by the Secy assisted by the tellers to be hereafter appointed the result of which shall be certified by them and laid before the members at the next annual meeting.



Mr J Samuel Rodney & William L. McTier were appointed tellers to assist the Secretary in taking the stock vote, and in the election of the directors.

At a meeting of the directors held May 8 1884.

Present Messrs Hare

Hutchinson

Bidale

Rawls

Mutbold

Platt

Wishu

Lewis

Buckley

The Treasurer

& The Secretary

The Secretary read the returns of election which showed that Charles Willing, J. S. Clark Hare, Henry Cramond, James S. Bidale, John S. Mutbold, Caspar Wishu Edmund S. Buckley, L. W. Mitchell James H. Hutchinson, Wm Henry Rawls Charles Platt and Francis W. Lewis were duly elected directors and Lloyd P. Smith Treasurer of the said Company for the ensuing year.

~~He also read the following~~

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Certificates:

We the subscribers testify that at the annual meeting of the members of the Library Company of Philadelphia held May 8 1884 Four hundred and Eighty six (486) votes, representing a considerable number of shares, being a majority

525
of the whole number, were cast in approval
of the sale of the property of the Company
situated on Fifth Street South of Chestnut
Street, to Anthony J. Drexel.

(signed) Jas Duval Rodney } Judges
(signed) Wm L. Mather } of the Election

Attest:

Geo Harrison Fisher

Secretary.

The Board then reorganized
by the appointment of Geo Harrison Fisher, as
Secretary, and the appointment of the following
Gentlemen on the Standing Committee for the
Ensuing Year

Committee on Finance

Messrs Bidale, Newbold & Hutchinson

Book Committee

Messrs Willing, Rawle, Wistar Platt, Lewis
together with the Ex & Executor Com^{rs} of each month.

Committee on the Ridgway Branch

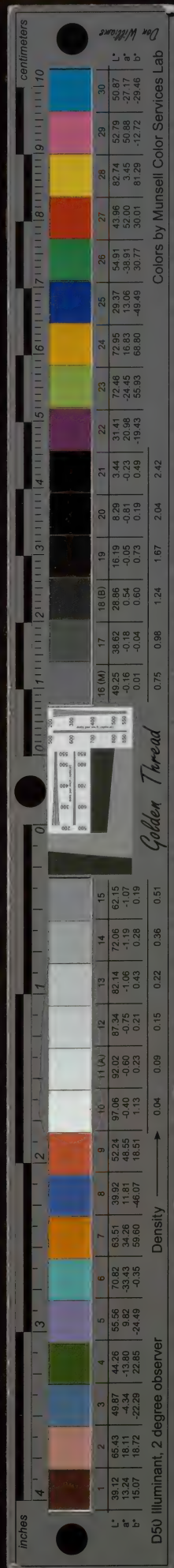
Messrs Buckley, Mitchell and Hutchinson

The Book Committee re-

commended the expenditure of \$118 for
the purchase of the work of Brugsch Bey
on Egyptian Hieroglyphics, which was
authorized, as was also the sale
of a duplicate copy of the Laws of
Pennsylvania, printed in 1744, for \$100.

This committee also recommended
the following resolution: which was adopted.

Resolved That Rule No 3. shall be
amended to read as follows "He
shall lend to any member or subscribe
four volumes for two weeks, from each library."



The Committee on the Ridgway Branch reported that the sum of \$1215.89 should be transferred to the Contingent Fund.

The purchase of \$1000. of the Philadelphia & Baltimore Trust Stock Certificates by the Committee on the Ridgway Branch on account of the Contingent Fund was authorized.

The Secretary was directed to notify the executors, of the approval of the sale of the Fifth Street property to him, by the members of the Company; and the Secretary and the Treasurer were authorized to execute all assurances necessary to carry the sale into effect and to attach the corporate seal of the Library Company. *Minutes.*

The following transfers were approved.

Chas. B. Wynn	to	Wm. Robinson
Chas. J. Allen Trust	"	West Union Boarding School
Jas. Read Eckard	"	Leigh W. Eckard
Louis Fassett's	"	Fanny Furness
Edw. W. Wilson	"	Edw. H. Wilson
John L. LeConte's Est.	"	Helen J. LeConte
Wm. Wurts's Est.	"	Alice Wurts
Geo. W. Harris's Est.	"	Ellen R. Harris
And. A. Humphreys	"	Henry H. Humphreys
Alfred L. Elwyn's Est.	"	Alfred Elwyn
Edw. L. Sayres's Est.	"	Edw. L. Sayres
Mabel Fillingham's	"	Margaret Fillingham
Seline Lippincott's	"	Mary Lippincott
Robert Ewing's Est.	"	Polly D. Hill
Chapman Biddle's Est.	"	Mary L. C. Biddle

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer-

L.C. 624	L. P. Smith, Librarian	41.67	
	Treasurer	16.66	
	J. M. Abbot, Assistant	141.67	
	Mrs E. McClellan "	50.-	
	Paul G. Garbra "	30.-	
	David Knoblauch "	21.67	
	W. J. Phillips Janitor	55.-	
	Sunday Service 5 weeks @ 6	30.-	
	Gardener one month	20.-	406.67
625	W. J. Phillips, Envelopes	10.-	
	Bell Telephone Co.	30.-	
	J. H. Crawford - repairs	15.-	55.-
626	Current Expenses		7.-
R.B. 193	L. P. Librarian	158.33	
	J. M. Abbot, Assistant	25.-	
	B. Samuel "	41.67	
	E. McGraw Janitor	60.-	
	Gas. Coll, Watchman	37.50	
	M. Cunningham Gardener	45.-	
	Sunday Service 5 weeks @ 6	30.-	397.50
194	Gas Bill 1 quarter	24.70	
	J. L. Burr do, Postal Cards	11.50	
	M. L. Frederick, Book Plate	39.25-	
	William Young - Coal	70.20	145.65-
195	Manuscript Department. Thomas	100.-	
196	Annuities	1940.-	
197	Current Expenses	500	
198	Contingent Fund	1215.89	

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.



Penn ^a 2. Geol. Survey vols D ³ A A. + 7, A. B. Gift of the Commission	
Directory of Boston 1882	Gift of Postmaster Hinderker
Directory of Baltimore	" " "
Jefferson Med. College Cal. 1874-53	" " The Trustees
Paule - With Gregg in the Gettysburg Campaign	" " Wm Brooke Paule
Gale Magazine vol 33	" " John B. White
Myster of Creation by L. B. Baker	" " Author
Adams College Fetish	" " "
Chapman on the circulation of the blood	" " "
South Carolina and its Resources	" " A. P. Butler
Mass. Hist. Socy Proceed vol 2	" " Society
Phila Ordinances 1883	" " Councils
Colorado Mining Directory	" " Dr S. H. Mitchell
New Jersey 6th Report Statistics	" " Jas Bishop
Wallace Amateur Photographer	" " Author
Gerards Account of Komanar	" " Miss Thomas
Glory de Himalaya Mountains	" " " "
U. S. Patent Office Official Gazette	" " S. J. Randall
" " Fish Commission Report	" " S. F. Baird
" " Finance "	" " A. B. Harmer
" " Agricultural "	" " S. B. Bouring
" " Internal Commerce "	" " Commission
" " Cong. Record vol 12 to 14	" " A. B. Harmer
" " Chief of Ordnance	" " Genl Benet
H 1 vols U. S. Documents	" " Secy of Interior

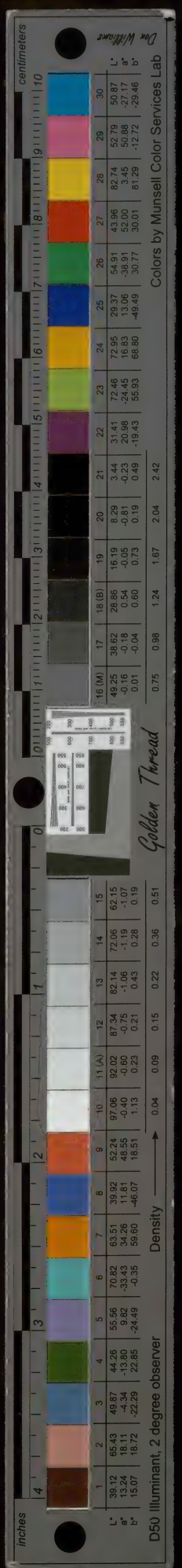
At a Meeting of the Directors
held June 5 1884

Pres. Hays William H. Williams
Biddle Lewis
Wish The Trust
Buckley The Secretary

It was represented that additional
shelving, costing about \$700 - was absolutely
necessary. The matter was referred
to the Executive Committee with power
to act -

The Librarian was authorized
to complete the set of Plummer's German
Linsen at a cost of about \$120, and
a valuable work on the Antiquities
of Africa at a cost of \$60; at the
expense of the Loggia Library -
Also to sell duplicates.

Henry Grammel Esq. having
departed this life on the 22d ult.
in the 78 year of his age. the Sec-
tary on motion of Dr Wish was
instructed to place on record the
sincere regret felt by his friends
in this Board at the loss they
have sustained; and also their
high estimate of his faithful services
as a Director and his sterling
qualities as a man. Mr Grammel
endeard himself to his fellow members
by his amiable disposition and
courteous manners, and won their



then respect by his blameless life
 He died as he had lived, without
 an enemy in the world, leaving
 behind him many kindly memories
 and a spotless name

The following transfers were approved
 Samuel L. Hollingsworth's

to Pemberton Hollingsworth
 Frank Wallin to Wm W. Allen
 Franklin McCumbe to Wm Henry Brown

The following orders were drawn upon

No 627	L. P. Smith	Librarian	46.67	
	subd. assistant	Treas	11-66	
	J. M. Abbott	Asst	141-67	
	E. M. Chellam	"	50	
	R. Garber	"	30	
	W. H. Obblanch	"	21-67	
	W. J. Phillips	Janitor	55	
		Gardener	20.	
		Sunday School	24	400.67
" 628	J. B. Brewster	Coal	42	
	Allen Lane	Printing	46-25	
	North American	Advtg	28-35	
	Bill Telephone		3-43	120.00
R B-189	L. P. Smith	Librarian	158-33	
	J. M. Abbott	Asst	25	
	B. Samuel	"	41-67	
	E. M. Gault	Janitor	60.	
	J. Cox	Archman	38-75	
		Gardener	45	
		Sunday School	24	392.75

RB 200 W H B Thomas in full

\$100

531
100-

201 E M Grant, shelling
J W. Waller, oil

150-

20-60

170-60

No. 2 on

Contingent Fund

W H B Thomas
Secretary

947-50

At a meeting of the directors

held July 31 1884 - Present

W H B Thomas

The Treasurer

W H B Thomas

And

Hutchinson

The Secretary -

No business, therefore adjourned

W H B Thomas
Secretary -

At a meeting of the Directors Aug 7 - 1884
Present

W H B Thomas

W H B Thomas

Buckley

Read

The Finance Com. reported that, in accordance with the authority given them on the 1st May, they had invested the money about to be paid by Orexel for the 5th St property in the following securities:

50,000. - Virginia & Tennessee
1st mortgage Bonds, being part of an
issue of \$990,000. - covering 200 miles
of road 5% gold due 1900, income



of wad \$1,100,000. - @ 10 2 1/2 % to net
 \$35,000. - Lehigh Coal & Nav. Co 4 1/2
 % consolidated mortgage gold @ 97 1/2 %
 interest

\$20,000. - Terre Haute & Hoquiam
 R.R. Co 10,000. - per mile first mortgage
 guaranteed by Indianapolis & Terre Haute
 R.R. Co 105 % int.

The following Orders were drawn on the
 Treas. No 204 R.R. Branch Salaries 383.75

No 33 for \$406.67 for Salaries

634 " 600 - on of Shelving

635 .. Three hundred & sixty eight
 dollars to pay G.B. Austin & Co Coal 282.50

Bell Telephone Co 30. -

Trues Printing House 55.50

\$ 368. -

Lloyd Smith
 Secy pro tem

At a special meeting of the Library Company
 of Philadelphia held in accordance with the
 Charter & Laws of the Co. on the 5 day of August
 1884 Thomas M. Clemon was called to the Chair
 and Paul G. Barber appointed Secretary.

The Chair stated the object of the meeting
 to be to receive the Report of the Tellers appointed
 at the last annual meeting to take the
 stock vote on the sale of the Company's property
 in 5th St. Alfred Woodward M.D. and
 John S. Neubold were appointed Tellers who
 reported that a Quorum was present in person
 or by proxy. whereupon

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The Secretary read the following Report (Marked
a) of the stock note at the annual meeting
which on motion was adopted & ordered to
be filed.

There being no other business the meeting
adjourned

Paul G. Garber
Secretary

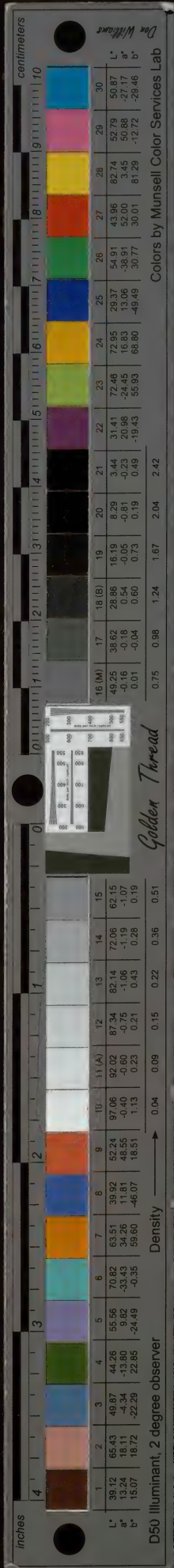
At a meeting of the Directors Sept 4 - 1884
Present

Meas Bidale
Mister
Hutchinson

The Treasurer
& The Secretary

The following Orders were drawn on the
Treasurer

V.C. 636	W. Smith, Librarian	1 mo.	41.67	
"	Treasurer		16.66	
Ship McClellan	Apartment		50.	
J.M. Abbot	"		141.67	
Paul G. Garber	"		30.	
V.C. Knoblands	"		41.67	
W. Phillips	Janitor		55.	
Gardner			20.	
Sunday Service			24.	400.67
637	20000. Terre Haute & Logansport 6'		2,123.33	
	50,000 Virginia & Tennessee 5'		51,500.94	
	36,000 Letting House 4 1/2'		35,131.50	107,761.77
638	Taxes for 1884	proportion		882.30
	Miller Trust Co.	one year		20.
	C. M. Snyder, Conveyance			5-
	Simpson & Barratt, repairs			35.28



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R B Ross	L R Smith	Librarian	157.83	
	J. M. Abbott	Assistant	25	
	B Samuel	"	41.67	
	E. McGrade	Janitor	60	
	J. Coll.	Watchman	38.75	
	M. Cunningham	Gardener	45	368.75
20	Wm Young	Care	388.50	
	J. K. Collins	Printing	2.75	398.25

Geo Hansen
Treasurer

Recapitulation, Treasurer's account, Ridgway
Branch, for 1881.

Dr.	Amuities			3.880	-
	Books	149			
	Binding	248	15	3.97	15
	Salaries			3.273	70
	Expenses viz Fuel cleaning bars of grinders			1.985	64
	Transferred to Contingent Fund			951	35
	Temporary Loan to Bogomian Library			1.000	-
	Balance			5.742	29
	Repairs			1.301	54
				18.531	67

Balance from last Year	2.558	22
Net income from Real Estate	12.134	91
Rent from Bogartian Library	600	—
Sales of Book on the Voice	98	08
" " Furniture	3.093	—
Interest on Cash Balance	52	46
	18.531	67

At a Meeting of the Directors held
October 21884 Present

Myers Biddle	Hutchinson
H Newbold	Rawls
Irish	Platt
Buckley	The Treasurer
	The Secretary

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch
recommended the painting of the roof, at
a cost of about \$125. And the building
of a closet in the chess room at a cost
of about eighty-five dollars, which
were authorized.

The matter of the legacy of Mr.
W. L. Schaffer was referred to Mr. Platt.

The following transfer was approved
Chas Newbold Esq. to Mrs R. Newbold.



The following orders were drawn upon
the Treasurer

L.C. - 639	L. P. Smith, Librarian	41.67	
	" Apostles	11.66	
	J. M. Abbot "	141.67	
	Chas. M. Clifton "	50-	
	Paul J. Garber "	20-	
	W. Knoblach "	21.67	
	W. Phillips Janitor	55-	
	J. Gardner 1 month	20-	
	Sunday Service 4 weeks @ 6	24	400.67
640	E. M. Grant, Shelving Balance		201.88

RB 207	Librarian one month	158.33	
	J. M. Abbot Apostles	25-	
	B. Samuel "	41.67	
	James Cole Watchman	37.50	
	M. Cunningham Gardener	48-	
	Sunday Service, 4 weeks @ 6	24-	1.00
	E. M. Grant, Janitor	60	891.50

208.	Water Rent of Janitor's house	13.80	
	F. P. Leggett, Hardware	14.89	
	Wm M. Carter, Book Cases	45-	73.69

J. H. Fisher
Secretary



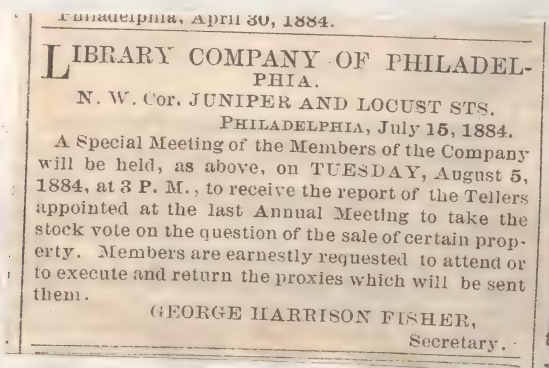
It having become necessary, in completing the conveyance of the old Library property, ordered by a vote of the Company, May 5, 1884, that the unanimous vote in favor of the sale should be announced at a meeting of the shareholders of the Company, a special meeting for that purpose has been called for August 5th prox., at which a quorum of one-fifth of the shareholders must be present in person or by proxy.

You will greatly oblige the Directors, therefore, if you are unable to be personally present, by signing and returning to Lloyd P. Smith, Treasurer, the enclosed form of proxy.

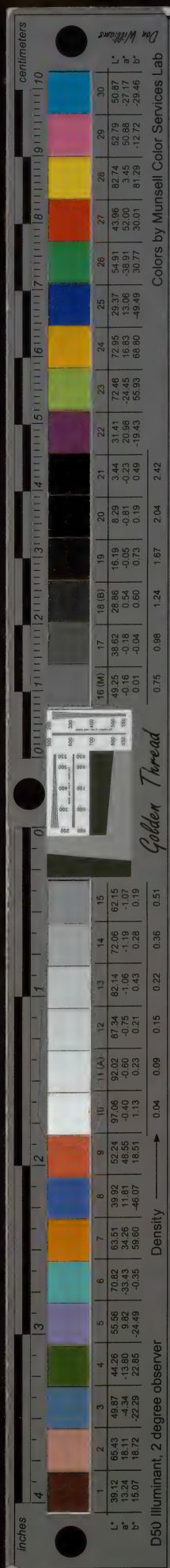
CHARLES WILLING,
Chairman of the Board.

JAMES S. BIDDLE,
JOHN S. NEWBOLD,
EDWARD S. BUCKLEY,
CHARLES PLATT,
Directors.

July 17, 1884.



*Indexed to this date in the card Catalogue
of the MS. Department
Lloyd P. Smith*



At a Meeting of the Directors
 held Nov^r 6. 1884. Present
 Messrs Ware Rawle
 Biddle Platt
 Newbold Lewis
 Wicks The Treasurer
 Hutchinson and the Secretary

The Minutes of the Last Meeting were read and approved. The Reports of the Librarian ~~and~~ and Treasurer were read and ordered to be filed. The Librarian reported that Miss Margaretta A. Wick, had purchased from the library estate of John M'Allister deceased, at a cost of over \$1000. a collection of books, some of great rarity, which she offered to the Ridgway Branch as a memorial of her father the late Walter B. Wick. The Librarian was directed to give Miss Wick the directors' special thanks.

It having been suggested that for the convenience of the public, the name of the Library Company should be conspicuously displayed on or near the front door, the matter was referred to the Executive Committee for consideration.

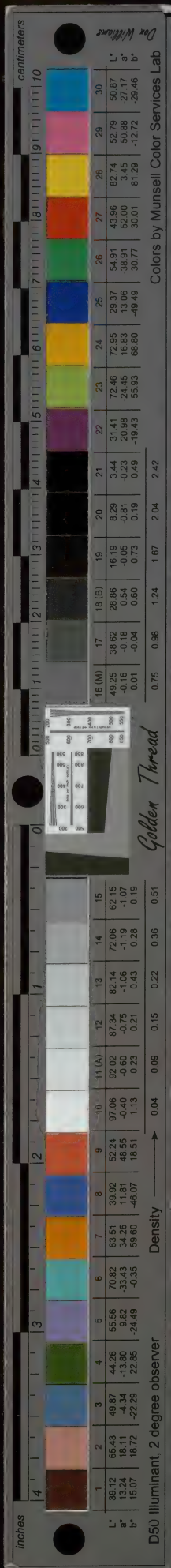
Mr John A. Maitland having expressed his intention of paying off a mortgage upon his property the following resolution was adopted

Resolved that Lloyd P. Smith
the Treasurer of the Library Company of Phila-
delphia be, and he is hereby, authorized
to enter satisfaction upon the margin of
the Record of the Mortgage of Samuel H. Byr
to Lemuel Coffin and Joseph B. Allen
for ^{Five} ~~Four~~ thousand dollars
dated Oct- 7 1841 recorded in Mlg
Bk J. A. H. No. 90. p. 536 &c (Recorded
on premises at the S.E. corner of 23^d
and Sanson Streets) assigned to the
Library Company of Philadelphia by deed
Roll dated Oct. 25 1842 rec'd in Mlg Bk
J. A. H. No. 280 p. 390.

The Committee on Finance were
authorized to reinvest the principal
of the above mortgage, upon like security,
on behalf of the Logans Library.

A remittance of £200. to
Edw. J. Allen, of London, was authorized
out of the funds of the Ridgway Branch,
the Ridgway Branch being indebted to
the Library Company. The purchase of
Jomaris's Lexicon was authorized, and
the Book Committee was requested to con-
sider the advisability of purchasing an
illustrated prospectus of the Cesnola Col-
lection of Cypriote Antiquities.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch
were authorized to take up two of the
Certificates of indebtedness given to the Est-
of Geo. Allen, together amounting to \$1000.
with interest. The Committee were
authorized, to fix an addition of a



same not exceeding \$200. to the salary of Bumpford Samuel, and to construct Stabling, reported to be necessary at the Redgway Branch.

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

L.C.	641	Librarian		1110	41.67	
		Treasurer		"	16.66	
		J.M. Abbot	Apostle	"	141.67	
		Paul G. Garber	"	"	30.	
		Mrs E. M. Chellum	"	"	50.	
		D. C. Knoblauch	"	"	21.67	
		W. S. Phillips	Janitor	"	55.	
		H. C. Stauffer	Gardener		20.	
		Sunday Service	Services @ 6	30		406.67
Log.	34	Librarian		1110	100.	
		J.M. Abbot	Apostle	"	50.	
		B. Samuel	"	"	25	175
R.B.	209	Librarian		1110	158.33	
		J.M. Abbot	Apostle	"	41.67	
		E. M. Gath	Janitor		60	
		B. Samuel	Apostle		25	
		Jas. Cox	Watchman		38.75	
		M. Cunningham	Gardener		36	
		Sunday Service	Services @ 6	30		389.75
210		Bell Telephone Co	3 mos.		30.	
		Henry G. Palmer	Cart for books		25.	
		Jas. Bill	3 mos.		8.50	
		E. M. Gath	Chairs in Chess Room		80.	
		Jos. S. Barr & Co.	Catalogue cards Books on display	57		199.50
211		Annuitants				1940.
L.C.	642	Jas Bill	3 mos.			19.04
		Stone Sprinkling			60	78.04

The following Transfers were approved

Edw. D. Cope	to	Margina M. Sturtevant
Jos. B. Brown	"	Henry B. Grubb
R. Cass Clark's Est	"	Henry Service
Chas. P. Krantz	"	Phoebe B. W. Brewster
Jacob T. Wainwright	"	Edward Biddle
P. S. P. Connor Adm ^r	"	Philip Syng Physick Connor
Henry M. Phillips's Est	"	Ellen Phillips
Jane M. Biddle's	"	Graig Biddle

The letter of the Clerk

was referred to the Committee on the Railway Branch with power to act.

The Board proceeded to an Election to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Gramond, whereupon Hon. Craig Biddle was unanimously elected.

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

Report Secy of Navy vol 1-2 for 1883.	Gift of James S. Biddle
Life Saving Service Report	" " Secy. of Treasury
Land Laws of U. S. vol 1-2	" " " " Interior
Report Commissioner of Education 80.	" " " "
U. S. Geological Survey 3 rd annual Report.	" " " " The Director
Index Cat. of Library of Surgeon General's Office.	" " " " Surgeon General
Wash. Astron. & Meteorological Observat.	" " " " Genl. S. R. Franklin
Pacific Coast Pilot Alaska Part 1 ^{3rd ser} 1883	" " " " Supt. Coast Survey
Third Annual Message	" " " " Hon. Wm. B. Smith
Journal of Select. Councils	" " " " The Councils



Engines Oilers & Torpedo Boats	Gift of Secy of Navy
The Theatre by J. W. Leeds.	" " Author
Exercises Phillips Exeter Acad.	" " J. L. Gilby
Amer Newspaper Oct. 1853.	" " Published
" Annual.	" " Lloyd P. Smith
Coasting Land Laws of U.S.	" " Secy of Inter
Germa. Board of Charities	" " Commission
N.Y. Hist Socy Collects 7 vols	" " Mrs. W. Allerton
2 copies Breakers of the Lake	" " C. C. Blagburn
Hyltons Guide of Gettysburg	
" Petrified	
" Hair of Babylon	} " " Author
" Along the Shore	
Germa Documents 21 vols	" " J. S. Africa
" " 16 " "	" " J. Adams Jr
Chila Water Dept. Report.	" " Chief Eng
Physiologie der Graukohle	" " Author
Miscellaneous list 16 vols	" " C. J. Paley.
Bank of New York.	" " Bank.
U.S. War of Rebellion No 10 pt 2	" " Hon. J. Randall.
Report of British in Egypt. 1882	" " J. J. Paddle
U.S. Documents 29 vols	" " Government.
Cincinnati Pub Lib. Cat.	" " Library
Journal Councils vol 2	" " Councils
Valentines Hist of City New York.	" " Roger Sherman.
U.S. Geol. Survey Mineral Resources of U.S.	" " Director
Arkansas School Report.	" " State Supt.
Life & Labor in Far West.	" " W. O. Kellogg.
Grand Encampment Knights Templars	" " Grand Lodge of Penn.
Lodge of New York	
War of Rebellion Records	" " Hon. J. Randall

At a Meeting of the Directors
 held December 4 1884 Present
 Myers Willing Randle
 Biddle Platt
 Woodbold Lewis
 Wier C. Biddle
 Buckley The Treasurer
 Hutchinson & the Secretary -

The Minutes of the last Meeting
 were read and approved - The Reports of
 the Librarian and Treasurer were read and
 ordered to be filed. The Librarian
 reported the gift, through the Swiss Legation
 at Washington, of a recently published
 and admirable government Atlas of
 Switzerland

disatisfaction with the late selection
 of French Books having been expressed,
 Mr Woodbold suggested that the Librarian
 open a correspondence with Monsieur
 Harrison of Paris with a view
 to a different system of choice -

The Committee on the Redway Branch
 reported that they had considered Mr
 Charley's Application and felt convinced
 that it should be granted - On
 Motion Resolved that the Board
 approves of, and assents to, Mr Charley's



Application and that the Treasurer
be authorized to write to Mr. Morley and
inform him to that effect.

On Motion of Mr. Brewster Resolved
that the Committee on the Ridgway
Branch shall consider and report
at the next meeting whether;

1. It be advisable to continue to keep
the Ridgway Branch open on Sundays
and
2. Whether it be not advisable to
lend books, under certain circumstances
free of charge.

The following orders were drawn
upon the Treasurer

643	L.C.	L. P. Smith, Librarian	41.67	
		Treasurer	16.66	
		J. M. Abbot Assistant	141.67	
		Paul F. Garber "	30.	
		Miss E. McCallum "	50	
		D. C. Knoblanck "	21.67	
		W. J. Phillips Janitor	55.	
		H. C. Shaffer Gardener	21.	
		Sunday Service 4 @ 6	24	401.67
212	R.B.	L. P. Smith, Librarian	158.33	
		J. M. Abbot, Assistant	25.	
		B. Samuel "	58.34	
		E. McCallum Janitor	60	
		Jas. Cox, Antechamber	37.50	
		M. Cunningham, Gardener	45.	
		Sunday Service	24.	408.17

RB 213 E. M. Grant on ac of shelving 200.
 J. W. Wallace, Paint co 40.65- 240.65-
 214 Current Expenses 500.

The following presents were received
 for which the Librarian was directed
 to thank the donors.

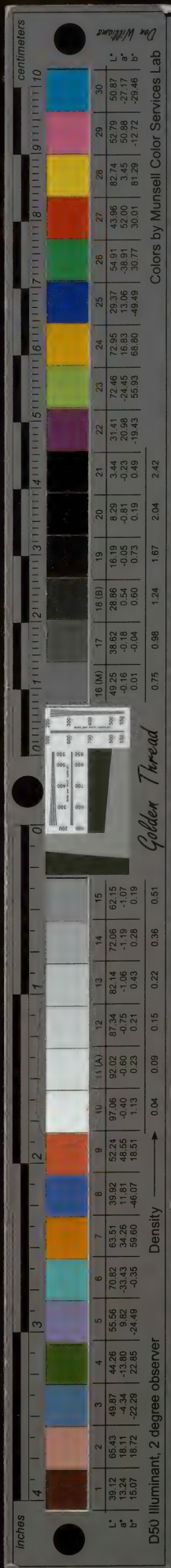
Henry Oehlmann	Gift of Geo W. Hunter
U. S. Birds Commission Reports 1882	" " Comm
Philas Medical Register	" " John W. Huff
Divine Liturgy	" " Geo W. Hunter
Hand-book for Ships	" " John B Hamilton
Report U. S. Marine Hospital	" " "
Records of Union-Confederate Armies	" " "
Archaeological tour in Mexico	" " "
Official danger distress & storm signal	" " "
Foreign Relations of U. S. 1883	" " "
Topographische Karte der Schweiz	" " "

At a meeting of the Directors Jan 8th 1885
 Present

Mep Race	Arbald
Biddle	Autchinson
Arbald	Rauke
Orister	Platt
Buckley	Fisher & Theod

The reports of the Librarian and
 Treasurer were read and ordered to be
 filed.

The Executive Committee recommended
 that, in view of the expense, the use
 of the Bell Telephone, except as
 between the two Libraries, be discontinued



which was agreed to

The Finance Com. recommended that the sum of \$1000 - with interest be paid to the Est. of George Allen Sec^d on account of the indebtedness of the Ridgway Branch, which was agreed to

The Com. on the Ridgway Branch reported that, in their opinion, it is undesirable at present to close that Institution on Sundays, and the Committee were discharged from further consideration of the subject. The subject of making the rules of the Ridgway Branch more liberal to borrowers of books was discussed at length and referred back to the Committee with power to act.

The same Committee reports that an application had been made for the Sale of a certain property on Second Street opposite Quist Church, a property which is in a dilapidated condition; whereupon the Committee were authorized to sell the said property for not less than thirty five thousand dollars, subject to the approval of the proper Court.

The Executive Committee were authorized to allow the monthly numbers of such magazines as the Library has duplicates of to be taken out for three days only.

A letter was received from W. H. B. Thomas stating that there is a tract of 640 acres of land in Newton County Texas which formerly stood in the

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name of the late Joseph Fisher and a
Mr Henderson; that Mr Henderson makes
no claim to it; that it has been sold
for taxes, but can yet be redeemed, and a
title made to it in the name of the Library
as ordinary legatees of J^r Fisher dec^d.

The taxes and expenses would be about
\$60. - and Mr Thomas' fee \$100. -

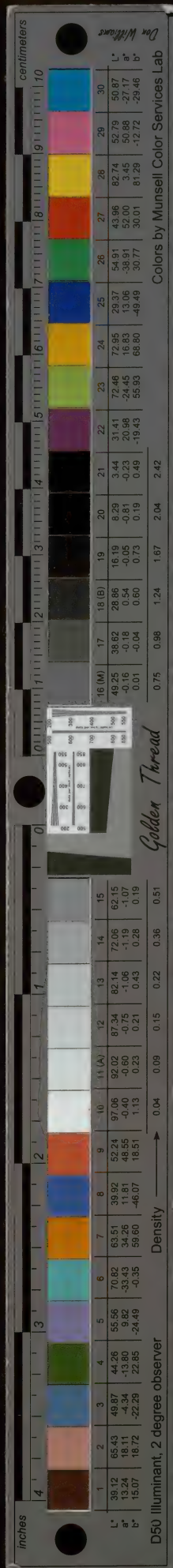
The matter was referred to the Committee
on the Executive Committee with
instructions to confer with the Penna.
Hospital the joint ordinary legatees
of J^r Fisher, and with power to act.

Messrs Biddle and Newbold were
appointed a Committee on behalf of
the Library to adjust the accounts
with the Trustees of the Logansville
Library

The following Orders were drawn
on the Treasurer

No 644 for three hundred and
eighty six 7/100 Dollars & pay
Lloyd P. Smith Librarian 161.67
Treasurer 16.66
George M. West Assistant 141.67
Elizabeth McCallan " 50. -
Paul Garter " 30. -
D. C. Knoblauch " 21.67
W. G. Phillips Janitor 55. -
Sunday Service 30. -
386.67

No 645 for one hundred and
eighty nine 7/100 Dollars & pay



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No 215 on the funds of the Ridgway
Branch for four hundred and six
44/100 Dollars & pay

Lloyd V. Smith	Librarian	158.33
Asa M. Allen	Assistant	25. —
B. Samuel	"	58.33
Edward W. Smith	Janitor	60. —
James Coll	Watchman	38.75
Mr. Cunningham	Landowner	36. —
Sunday twice		30. —

\$406.41

No 216 on the R. B. for five hundred
and one 53/100 Dollars & pay:

Ed. McGrath	on of shelving	165. —
Henry Barrett	Repairs	216.50
J. K. Collins	Painting	27.75
Bell Telephone Co.	and	30. —
Knickerbocker Ice Co.	Ice	27.30
G. Walker & Co.	Manure	35. —

\$501.55

The following presents were recd. for
which the Librarian was instructed to
thank the donors:

Nov and Dec 28 ms
Merrill Statue of Marshall
Nat. Gen. Charities & correction
Columbia College
U. States Reports. Med. Officers
" " Drug Canal
" " Naval tactics Hoff.
" " Seymouriana. 2^d Globe Survey
Harvard University Catalogue
U. S. Geological Survey Wash DC

Gift of G. H. Hunter
" " W. H. Clarke
" " A. J. Wright
" " Melvil Library
" " George W. Smith
" " Jas. C. Fiddle
" " " " "
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Am. Inst. Mining Engineers	Gift of the Institution
Bureau of ethnology 2 nd	" "
Celtic Magazine	" "
McBall family	" "
Sheffield Privatermen of Newport	" "
In memoriam Israel Washburn Jr	" "
Chila Board of Education	" "
U. States Coast Survey 1885	" "
" " Nat. Board of Health	" "
" " Cong. Documents 28 th	" "
" " Comstock Code &c	" "
" " M. E. Gundry, arbitration	" "
" " Cong. Doc. to complete 14 th	" "
Chila Journal of Councils 2 nd	" "
U. States Commercial Relations	" "
" " Treasury Int Service	" "
" " Flags of maritime nations	" "

Mar. L. H. Swell
Dr. Grigor Fager
E. A. McBall
the Anchor
Dr. S. W. Mitchell
Jas H. McAllister
Capt.
Genl. Inters
Comit
Genl. State
Walter Evans
Dr. S. W. Mitchell

Adjourned

Jno Harrison Fisher
Secretary -

At a Meeting of the Directors held
February 5 1885. Present:

Myers Hall	Hutchinson
J. S. Biddle	Rawls
Wisher	The Trust
Buckley	and the Secretary

The Minutes of the last Meeting
were read and approved; the reports
of the Librarian and Treasurer were
read and ordered to be filed.



The subject of the Company's interest in the French Spoken Claims was referred to the Platt, as a special committee.

The Executive Committee was authorized to distribute among deserving free libraries such duplicate volumes as are usually sold at auction.

An iron flight of steps, in the northern wing of the Ridgway Branch, was ordered to be built, as recommended by the Committee. The Committee was authorized so far to relax the rules that books might be lent from the Ridgway Branch, without charge, upon satisfactory personal guaranty. The Committee reported that they had offered for sale, the property in Second Street, referred to in the minutes of the last meeting, for 37500 dollars; and that the offer had not been accepted.

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer

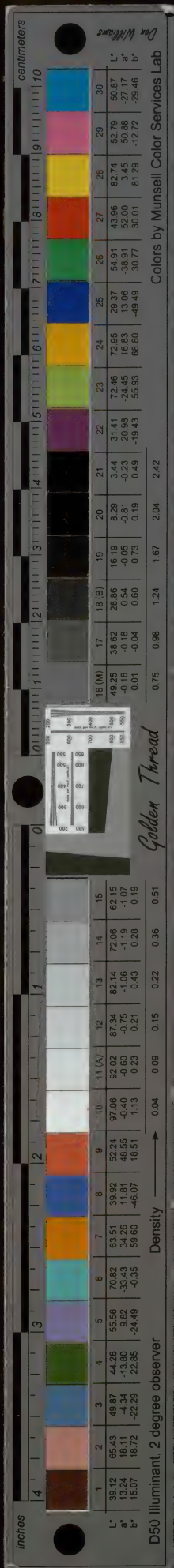
A.C. 646.	L. P. Smith,	Librarian	41.66	
		Treasurer	16.67	
	J. M. Abbot,	Assistant	141.67	
	Paul F. Garber	"	30.	
	Miss E. M. Chellam	"	50.	
	W. C. Knoblauch		21.67	
	W. S. Phillips	Janitor	55.	
	Sunday Service,	4 weeks @ 6	24.	380.67

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R.B. 217	L. P. Smith,	Librarian	188-33	
	G. M. Abbot,	Assistant	58.33	
	Bunford Samuel	"	25-	
	E. M. Grace,	Janitor	60.	
	Jas. Coe.	Watchman	38.75-	
	M. Cunningham	Gardener	45-	
	Sunday Service	4 weeks @ 6-	24-	409.41
218	Est of Geo. Allen,	Nov-	500.	
	"	"	500.	
	One years interest on \$2000.		100-	1100.
219.	E. M. Grace,	Balance of shelving	427.92	
	Jas bill		16.15-	444.07

The following presents were rec'd for which the Librarian was instructed to thank the donors:

Geology + natural hist Indiana 1882 Gift of State Geologist
 Supreme Court district of Columbia " " Att. General.
 Board of Education Cincinnati 1884-85 " " Board.
 Bibliotheque Municipale Bat. " " President.
 Monographs from Public Library Vot. " " Library
 Mem. National Academy of Sciences etc " " S. H. Mitchell.
 Com. on expenditures in Dept. of Justice 4th. " " Att General.
 Who speaks our New Eng. Books " " Lloyd P. Smith
 Bicentennial Celebration Richmond Co. N.Y. " " Author
 Finance Report 1884. " " Secy of Treasury.
 Report Com on currency 1884 " " Comptroller
 " Material Board of Health " " Secy of Treasury
 Vols 9 + 10. Atlas Census " " " " Int.
 Geol. Survey Vol 3. Tertiary Vertebrata " " " "
 Report Chief Signal Officer Part 1 + 2 1882-83 " " Chief Signal Officer
 One hundred years of publishing 1785-1885 " " La Botheron & Co.
 Part present by Thomas Carls " " Publishers



252 Tombstone Inscriptions.

Gift of Author

San Francisco Directory 1850

" " Postmaster Hurd

Conventions Prot. Epis. Church Vermont

" " T. H. Campbell

War of Rebellion vol 11

" " S. J. Randall

Wendell Phillips Memorial

" " City of Boston

Confession of Hermes

" " Author

4 vols Scrap Book

" " John W. Allen

At a Meeting of the Directors
held March 5 1883. Present -

Alfred Knobel

Platt

Wister

Platt

Buckley

C. Bidwell

Mitchell

The Treasurer

and The Secretary

The minutes of the last Meeting were
read and approved. The reports of
the Librarian and Treasurer were read.

The matter of construction of new
drawers for catalogue cards was re-
ferred to the Executive Committee with
power to act.

The Book Committee reported adversely
an application from Mr C. R. Hildreth
for the exchange of a certain portrait
of John Dickinson, in the Library's possession
for one hundred and one prints etc.
The application was rejected.

Mr L. P. Smith received the Special

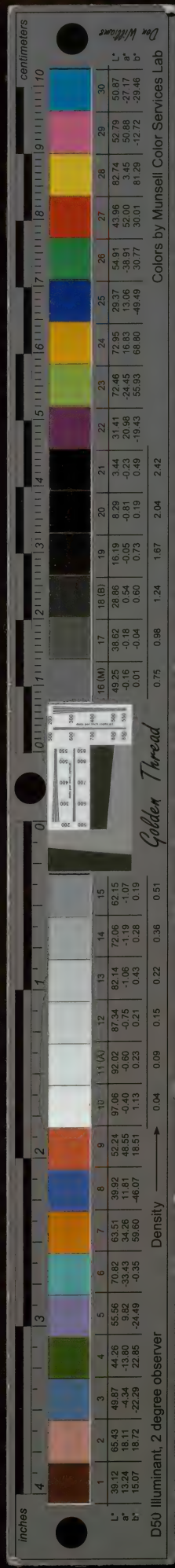
thanks of the board for his generous
present of four hundred bound volumes
of pamphlets -

Referring around the house of the
janitor of the Ridgway Branch, in order
to keep the cellar dry, was authorized -
The Ridgway Committee was authorized
to employ a special agent to examine
the properties of the estate and report
what they ought to rent for -

On motion of Mr Rawls, resolved
that a Committee consisting of Judge
Hare, Judge Riddle and Mr Rawls,
do inquire into the expediency of the
sale of the Eastern portion of the
Ridgway Lot -

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasr

L.C. 604 L. P. Smith,		Librarian	41-66	
		Treasurer	16-67	
J. W. Abbot		Assistant	141-67	
P. G. Garber		"	30,	
Miss E. M. Clelland		"	50,	
W. C. Knoblauch		"	21-67	
W. S. Phillips		Janitor	53-	
Sunday Service.		4 weeks @ 6	24-	380.67
L. P. Smith		Librarian	158-33	
J. W. Abbot		Assistant	58-33	
B. Samuel		"	25-	
E. M. Grant,		Janitor	60-	
Jas. Cole,		Watchman	35-	
M. Cunningham		Gardener	36	
Sunday Service		4 weeks @ 6.	24	396.66



William Young. Coul

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The following transfer was approved
S. Baptist Church to Mrs. Julia P. Schumacher

The following presents were received
for which the Librarian was directed
to check the donors.

Report P. M. General	Gift of	P. M. General
Serrano on Solar Heat	" "	Dr. H. W. Mitchell
Commerce & Navigation	" "	Soc'y of Pres ^{ts}
Indian & Geol. Survey & Mts	" "	State Geologist
Geo. Henry Thomas	" "	W. H. Lamberton
Finding list Omaha library	" "	The Librarian
Fish Commission. Vol 4	" "	Com ^{rs}

Geo. Harrison Fisher
Secy.

At a meeting of the directors held
April 2 1885, present

Chas. Hane	Platt
J. Biddle	Mitchell
Woodward	Lewis
Hutchinson	C. Biddle
Rawls	The Trust ^{ee}

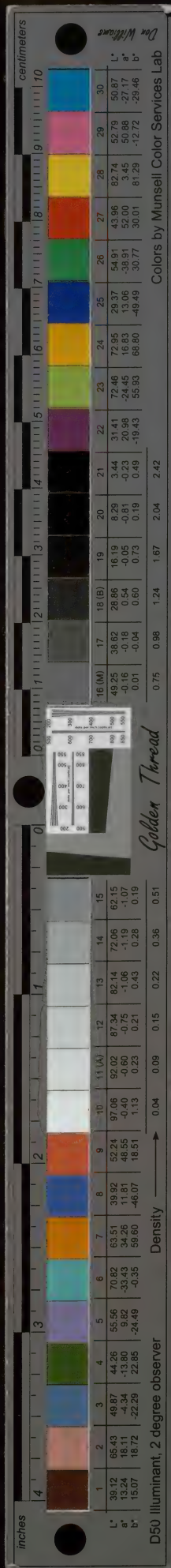
and The Secretary

The minutes of the last meeting were
read and approved. The reports
of the Librarian and Treasurer were read
and ordered to be filed.

Messrs J. S. Biddle and Black
 were appointed on behalf of the Library
 Company, Dr. Wislizenus and Dr. Stutchinson
 on behalf of the Logans Library, as
 a Committee to examine the Treasurers
 and Librarians accounts. The Executive
 Committee was requested to prepare an
 Annual Report to the members, to be
 submitted to the next meeting of the
 Directors. The Librarian was authorized
 to obtain proxies of members for the Election.

The Book Committee recommended
 subscription to the American Meteorological
 Journal, and the purchase of Winsor's
 History of America, The Annals of P. H.
 Marshall, The Fisheries Handbooks,
 and certain Maps of the Sudan,
 which were ordered accordingly.

The following orders were drawn upon the Treasurer			
L. C. & R. Smith	Librarian	41.66	
"	Treasurer	16.67	
J. M. Abbot,	Assistant	141.67	
P. G. Garber	"	30.-	
Mrs E. McClellan	"	50	
D. C. Knoblauch	"	21.67	
W. S. Phillips	Janitor	55-	
Sunday Service	4 weeks @ 6	24	380.67
649. Ins. Co. of North America			7.50
R B 222 L. P. Smith,	Librarian	158.33	
J. M. Abbot,	Assistant	25-	
B. Samuel,	"	58.33	
E. McFadden,	Janitor	60.-	
Jas. Coll,	Watchman	38.75-	
M. Cunningham,	Gardener	45-	
Sunday Service	4 weeks @ 6	24	409.41



223	Warden clo	Fire Extinguisher	22.40
	Wright & Selby	Kindling wood	11.50
	F. R. Leggett	Hardware	12.00

45.90

The following transfers were approved.

Nannah F. Norris's Est.	to Emily Norris
Hugh Roberts's	" " Edward Colles
Arthur A. Burt's	" " Clara A. Burt

The following presents were received for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors.

U.S. Geological Survey	Gift of J. W. Ford
Annals of Anatomical Observatory	" " C. C. Pickering
Seventh Annual Report of Bureau of Statist.	" " State
Barab's Fight on right flank at Gettysburg	} Wm. Parker Pauls
Gregg's Barab's Fight at Gettysburg	
Evolution & Science	Lloyd G. Smith
Amos's Description of Character	Author
Destructive Distillation	Roger Sherman
Internal Commerce 1884	" " Secy of Treas.
Senate Journal	" " State Libr
Executive Documents Part 1-2 - 1880	" " " "
Hove's Journal 1884.	" " " "
Structure of Eng. Press.	" " J. H. McGraw
Auerbach on Anthracen	" " Roger Sherman
Ohio School Report. 1884.	" " State Libr
Bell's Drawings	" " Bell Telephone Co.
Trans. Amer. Surg. Assoc. vol 2	" " Association
West Laurel Hill Cemetery Co.	" " Co.
Distillation of Coal Tar	" " Roger Sherman
Printers Circular vol 9	" " Print.
Geol. Survey of Ohio vol 5	" " State Libr

Borden Roll of Fame .. Gift of Corporation of City of London
 Nervous Diseases .. Dr. Mitchell
 Report Chief of Ordnance 1884 .. Gen S. V. Fenset
 New Jersey Archives vol 8 1st ser. .. Hist Socy of N. J.
 Board of Public Charities .. Board.
 Ezra. Abbot .. Theol. Faculty of Harvard.
 Ohio Agricult Report .. State Board of Agriculture
 Engraving .. John McAllister
 Agrostology .. J. A. Harris.

At a meeting of the Directors April 30th 1885

Present

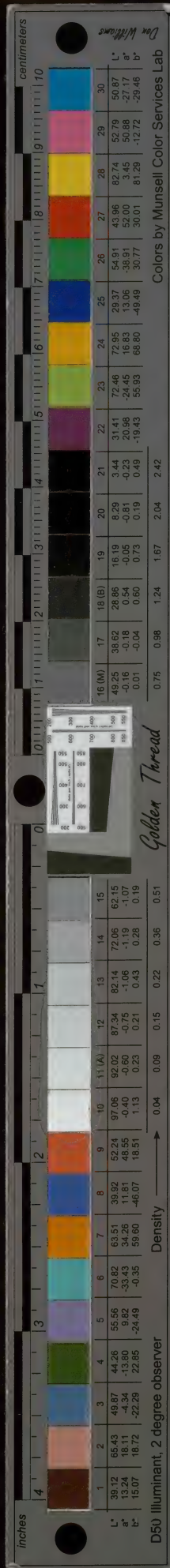
Mess Willing	Robinson
Hare	Rawle
J. S. Middle	Matt
Arnold	L. Middle
Buckley	Treasurer

The Secretary W. Fisher, being at present absent in Europe, the Librarian was directed to act as Secretary pro tem.

The messenger boy at the Ridgway Mr. Tho. McBrath having left the service of the Library, the Executive Com. were authorized to transfer Wm. Bowen to the Ridgway Branch & to engage in his place another recommended by Mr. Abbot at a salary of not more than \$6.00 a week.

Under the power given the Board by the By-Laws the Directors appointed the Hon. Chas. Bradle & preside at the annual meeting on Monday next.

The Committee appointed at the last meeting to examine the accounts of the Treasurer & Librarian and to compare



the list of the Company's Assets with the securities reported that they had performed that duty and found the same correct.

The Committee on the Ridgway Branch made a Report on the rent roll of the Rush Property, stating that they had employed Mr. J. B. Meade to estimate the rental value of the several stores & houses belonging to the Estate; whereupon the Treasurer was instructed to pay Mr. Meade a fee of \$20 - for his services.

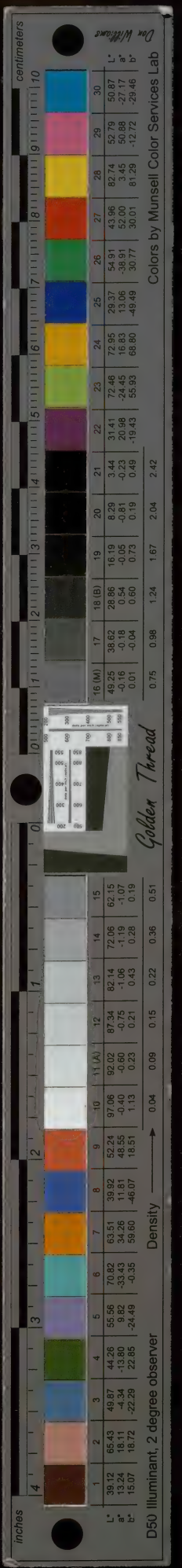
Also that the cellar and jury mill of No. 2nd St are in a filthy state & that a sewer connection was required, which the Committee were authorized to have made.

Also that the Property No 239 North Front St is occupied as a sal loft & that the tenant D. Denison requests the Library Co to pay the expense of a fire escape. On consideration the request was declined, but the Board agreed to pay one half of the cost of a satisfactory fire escape, on condition that it shall be a permanent fixture.

A portrait in oil of James Cox, artist whose library of 5000 vols was purchased in 1832 by the Co was presented by Philip F. Snyder Esq, & the Secy was instructed to return the thanks of the Board.

The following presents were received, for which the Librarian was instructed to thank the donors.

Star route trials 3 vols Gift of B H Brewster
State Board of Agriculture Kansas " the Board
Santo Domingo report " " B H Brewster
U.S. Geology Survey, Comstock mining " Maj Powell
Colonial history N York vol 14 " the Trustees
Esposizione Mondiale in Roma " B H Brewster
Collection Alessandro Castellani " " "
University State of New York Reports " Trustees
Index. Italian patents " Commissioner



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At the annual meeting of the Company held at the Library May 14 1885, the Hon. Craig Middle was called to the Chair. The Secretary *pro tem.* read the annual report of the Directors which a motion was accepted and ordered to be filed.

The Chair stated that, under the Bye Laws of the Co it was his duty to appoint a committee of the members to audit the annual accounts. The Chair appointed Robert M. Lewis, D. Edward Shippen and James B. Leonard.

On motion of Robert Vaux Esq Messrs. J. Duval Rodney & Wm. Mactier were appointed to assist the Secretary in collecting the votes for a Board of Directors and a Treasurer.

Adjourned

Lloyd P. Smith

Secy pro tem

LIBRARY COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA.

MAY, 1885.

The Directors respectfully refer the members to the report of the Librarian for detailed statements of the practical working of the library during the past year. It shows a marked increase in the attendance of members and other persons at the Locust Street branch over that of the preceding year. Indeed, the Directors have been much impressed of late by the large and constantly growing use which is made of it as a reading room. At no time in the day are there usually fewer than from twenty to thirty people quietly reading here, and frequently in the afternoon the number is much greater. On some occasions, and especially on Sunday afternoons, the room is uncomfortably crowded. These people invariably conduct themselves in an orderly manner, and for the most part manifest, by the character of the books they ask for, a desire for self-improvement. It is evident that increased accommodations will be required at no distant day for this class of visitors. This can only be provided by enlarging the present building. The lot to the rear of it, which the Company owns, affords more than sufficient space for this needed improvement, which the Directors are, however, prevented for the present from undertaking by the want of sufficient funds.

On the other hand the Librarian's report shows a decided falling off in the attendance of members and in the number of visitors at the Ridgway branch. On Sunday the character of the visitors is not so satisfactory, many being attracted solely by curiosity to see the building, and others resorting to it as a lounging place, and the number of readers is so small that the Directors have been seriously considering the question whether it is well any longer to open it on that day.

The following is the detailed

REPORT OF ATTENDANCE, BOOK CIRCULATION, &c.

Locust Street Building.

Number of days open, 306.

Number of persons using or visiting the library :

Members, males,	37,247	
“ females,	38,318	
		75,565
Visitors, males,	40,806	
“ females,	10,434	
		51,240
Messengers,		7,025
Total,	133,830	

Largest monthly attendance, Jan., 1885,	16,649
Smallest “ “ Aug., 1884,	5,298
Average monthly attendance, 11, 152+	
Largest daily attendance, Feb. 28th, 1885,	895
Smallest “ “ Aug. 21st, 1884,	100
Average daily attendance, 437+	

Attendance for year ending April 19th, 1885,	133,830
“ “ “ “ “ “ 1884,	111,186
Difference in favor of this year,	22,644

Whole number of books taken out,	45,090
Daily average, 147+	

The library was open on 52 Sundays.

Attendance, members, males,	410	
“ females,	32	
		442
Visitors, males,	5,058	
“ females,	75	
		5,133
Total,	5,575	

Average for each Sunday, 107+

Number of volumes asked for at desk, 3113.

Average for each Sunday, 59+

Number of works added to the library :

By purchase,	1,440
“ gift,	301
Total,	1,741

In all 2537 volumes.

Catalogue cards distributed :

Copied at Locust street,	6,111
“ “ Ridgway Branch,	14,861

Total,	20,972
Add for the duplicate at Ridgway Branch,	20,972

Number of cards written and distributed during year,	41,944
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Total cards in catalogue,	180,335
Duplicate at Ridgway Branch,	180,335
Manuscript Department,	20,240
	380,910

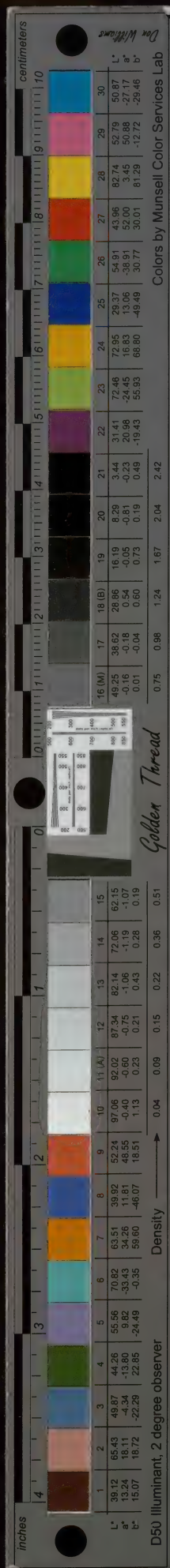
Ridgway Branch.

Number of days open, 280.

Attendance for year ending April 19th, 1885 :

Readers,	2,056
Visitors,	3,999
Total,	6,055

Daily average, 21+



Book circulation :	
Used in building,	4,500
Given out,	1,514
Total,	<u>6,014</u>
Daily average, 21+	
Volumes added to Ridgway Branch,	1,835
“ “ “ Loganian Library,	85
	<u>1,920</u>
Number of Sundays open, 47.	
Attendance, readers,	515
“ “ “ visitors,	3,913
	<u>4,428</u>
Average attendance at the Ridgway Branch on Sunday, 94+	
Books read,	899
Average per Sunday, 18+	
Total number of volumes added to both libraries,	4,457
Total number of persons visiting both libraries,	149,888

The receipts and expenditures of the Company, and of the several trusts confided to it, are as follows:—

LIBRARY COMPANY.

DR.	Books,	\$5,094 23	
	Binding,	653 30	
		<u>\$5,747 53</u>	
	Printing Bulletin,	290 02	
	Coal, gas, and ice,	673 33	
	Cleaning, freights, and incidentals,	1,153 61	
	Repairs and improvements,	970 59	
	Insurance,	7 50	
	Taxes and water rent,	882 30	
	Salaries and Sunday service,	4,753 04	
	Reinvestment—proceeds of sale of Fifth street property,	107,761 77	
		<u>\$122,239 69</u>	
CR.	Balance from last account,	\$1,716 50	
	Interest and ground rents,	2,773 39	
	Duplicate book sold,	100 00	
	C. Jackson, for “amount due you,”	3 25	
	Rents of Fifth street property,	2,441 46	
	Yearly payments,	7,747 65	
	Subscriptions,	534 00	
	Proceeds of sale of Fifth street property,	106,592 92	
	Balance,	330 52	
		<u>\$122,239 69</u>	

LOGANIAN.

DR.	Books,	\$688 00	
	Binding,	38 50	
		<u>\$726 50</u>	
	Printing Bulletin,	252 98	
	Rent to Ridgway Branch,	600 00	
	Salaries,	700 00	
	Mortgage purchased,	4,000 00	
	Balance,	1,846 55	
		<u>\$8,126 03</u>	
CR.	Balance from last account,	\$1,222 51	
	Bucks county rents,	1,010 47	
	Interest,	893 05	
	Mortgage paid off,	5,000 00	
		<u>\$8,126 03</u>	

Ridgway Branch.

DR.	Annuities,	\$3,880 00	
	Books,	\$2,417 98	
	Binding,	617 63	
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	Salaries and Sunday service,	3,035 61	
	Cleaning, repairs, and incidentals,	4,745 56	
	Coal and ice,	1,684 81	
	Additional shelving,	755 65	
	Contingent fund,	1,133 18	
	Contingent fund,	1,215 89	
	Manuscript department,	200 00	
	Balance,	4,237 71	
		<hr/>	
			\$20,888 41
CR.	Balance from last year,	\$4,965 56	
	Net income of real estate,	15,277 02	
	Rent from Loganian Library,	600 00	
	Interest on cash balance,	12 63	
	Sales of "Rush on the Voice,"	33 20	
		<hr/>	
			\$20,888 41

Contingent fund of Ridgway Branch :

DR.	Cash for \$1000 P. W. & B. 4's,	\$947 50	
	Balance,	622 57	
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			\$1,570 07
CR.	Balance from last year,	\$147 55	
	Transferred from Ridgway Branch,	1,215 89	
	Interest,	206 63	
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			\$1,570 07

Poulson Fund.

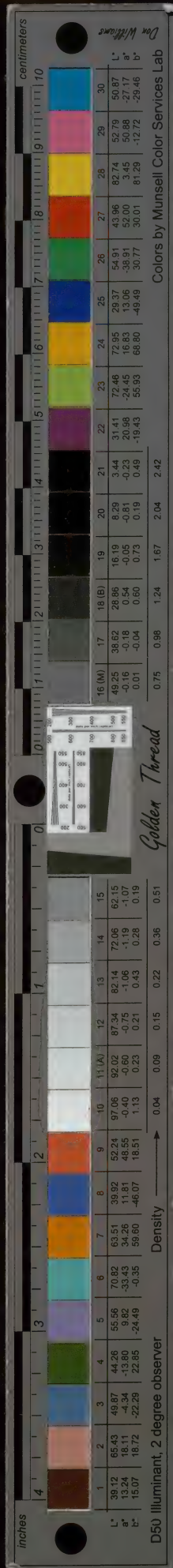
DR.	Cost of "Scharf's History of Philadelphia,"	\$20 00	
	Balance,	19 16	
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			\$39 16
CR.	Balance from last year,	\$9 10	
	Interest,	30 06	
		<hr/>	
			\$39 16

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF THE RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF
THE LIBRARY COMPANY OF PHILADELPHIA FOR 1884-'85.

DR.	Books and binding,	\$9,529 64	
	Printing catalogues,	543 00	
		<hr/>	
			\$10,072 64
	Incidental expenses, coal, gas, cleaning, wages of assistants, freights, &c.,	4,267 40	
	Additional shelving,	2,103 77	
	Insurance,	7 50	
	Salaries,	10,198 60	
	Investments,	112,709 27	
	Annuities,	3,880 00	
	Manuscript department,	200 00	
	Taxes and water rent,	882 30	
	Balance carried forward,	6,395 47	
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			\$150,716 95
			<hr/>
CR.	Balance from last year,	\$8,061 22	
	Interest and ground rents,	4,926 23	
	Duplicate sold,	100 00	
	C. Jackson,	3 25	
	Net income of real estate,	17,718 48	
	Yearly payments,	7,747 65	
	Subscriptions,	534 00	
	Sales of "Rush on the Voice,"	33 20	
	Real estate sold,	\$106,592 92	
	Mortgage paid off,	5,000 00	
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			111,592 92
		<hr/>	
			\$150,716 95

By order of the Board.

LLOYD P. SMITH,
Secretary pro tem.



At a meeting of the Directors May 7 1885

Present

Messrs J. S. Biddle
Asst. Secy

Rawle
Matt

Buckley

Lewis

Mitchell

Craig Biddle

Watkinson

+ Treas

The minutes of the last meeting were read & on motion of Mr Buckley they were amended by adding the following paragraph

Mr Buckley reported that the Committee on the Ridgway Branch had received from Mr Maule an itemized estimate of the sums for which, in his judgment, the various properties belonging to the Ridgway Branch

should be rented, amounting in all to \$26,488. -

The actual rental now paid being 25,508. -

The Committee believe that no important change is requisite, except, perhaps, in the case of the property 614 + 616 Market St. rented by J. S. Maule & Co. until Jan 1 1886 at \$4,400. - for which Mr Maule thinks the Co. should receive \$6,000 - per annum

The Secretary read the returns of the Annual Election showing that Charles Willing, J. S. Clark Ware, James S. Biddle, John S. Aschold, Caspar Nister, Edward S. Buckley, S. Wm Mitchell, James H. Watkinson, Wm Henry Rawle, Charles Matt, Francis W. Lewis and Craig Biddle were duly elected Directors and Lloyd P. Smith Treasurer for the ensuing year

George Harrison Fisher was reelected Secretary for the ensuing year, and during

his absence in Victor Lloyd P. Smith as
Secretary for term.

The following Standing Committees
were appointed:

Committee on Finance Messrs Biddle
Arnold & Hutchinson

Book Committee Messrs Milling
Rawle, Nister, Platt, Lewis & the
Executive Com. of the month

Com. on Ridgway Branch Messrs
Buckley, Mitchell & Hutchinson

Executive Committee two members
in rotation as heretofore, one to go
out each month

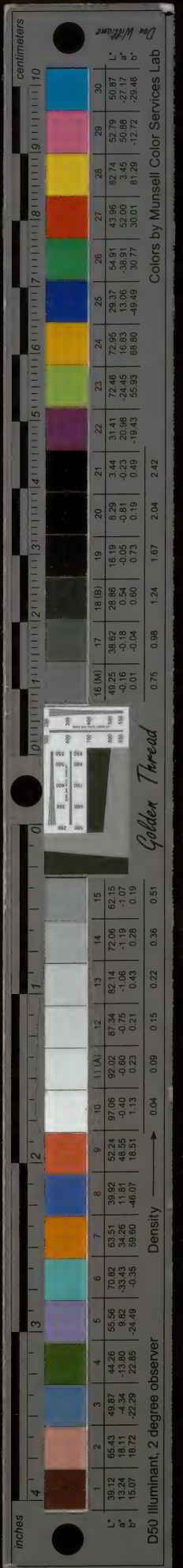
The Reports of the Treasurer &
Librarian were read & ordered to be
filed.

The Book Committee recommended
a remittance of £250 to Edward
S. Allen of London. So ordered

Also the purchase from Mr
Seymour for the Loganian Library
of an illustrated Persian Manuscript
at a cost of \$100, which was
agreed to.

The Executive Committee that,
in accordance with the permission
given them, they had engaged Guy
Wallis as an assistant at the
Lloyd P. Library at a salary of
\$600 a year

The Finance Committee reported
the purchase of \$1000 - Union R.R.
5% mortgage bond for account of



the Loganian Library; and they recommended the purchase of \$1,000 more of the same Bonds @ 105 & interest for account of the Contingent Fund of the Ridgway Branch, all of which was agreed to.

The Com. on the Ridgway Branch reported that the Assistant in Charge desired to have definite instructions in regard to the power given him in the matter of keeping order on Sunday afternoons; and after a discussion of the subject it was referred back to the Committee with power to adopt suitable rules in regard to the Sunday attendance.

The following Orders were drawn on the Treasurer

R. B. of Library Co. No 224 for Salaries viz			
Lloyd P. Smith	Loganian		158.33
George M. Atter	Assistant		25.00
B. Samuel	"		58.34
Ed. McGrath	Janitor		60.00
James Leell	Matron		37.50
M. Cunningham	Gardener		36.00
Sunday Service	5 weeks @ 6.00		30.00
			<hr/> 405.17
225	Iron Staircase for north wing		100.00
	Wm Young	Leell	73.45
	Gas Bill		18.21
	Water rent		16.05
	Her Hall's valuation of Rent		20.00
	J. S. Burdette	Leads	67.00
			<hr/> 294.71

226 M. C. Ritchie Annuit 500. -
 A. M. Rush " 180. -
 J. C. Rush " 180. -
 J. W. Biddle " 900. -
 R. H. Rush " 180. -

1940. -

227 Centraux Fund 1139.70
 67 Book Committee 184.18

January Co 650 for Salaries viz:

Lloyd P. Smith Librarian 41.66
 G. M. Abbott Treasurer 16.67
 Paul G. Garter Assistant 141.67
 R. M. Cullen " 30. -
 D. C. Knottlauch " 50. -
 W. S. Phillips Janitor 21.67
 Sunday Service 55. -
 Gardener 30. -
 20. -

406.67

651 G. B. Kinton He Coal 141.25

W. B. Thomas Texas land 50. -

L. R. Jones Son " " 20. -

W. Parrett Repairs 19.95

Sas Mill 176.65

Water Rent 9.90

R. A. Williams Coal 57.75

Lynn & Pro Abating 18. - 487.48

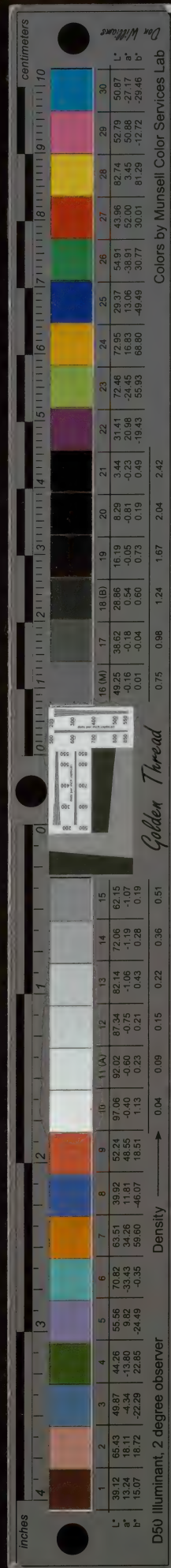
652 Current Exp 700. -

Logan 325 Lloyd P. Smith Lib 100. -

G. M. Abbott Asst 50. -

B. Samuel " 25 175. -

326 Duxel No 1000 - Union 5 1054.17



The following transfers were approved
 Ann M. Sulzer's Est to Lucy Sulzer
 Mary Lippincott's Est " Wm Lippincott
 J. K. Rice's Est " Wm K. Rice
 Francis Lewis' Est " Joseph Lewis
 Henry Baldwin's Est " W. A. Meigs
 Nancy M. Ellicott's Est " Wm M. Ellicott Jr
 Edmund R. Christman " Samuel Thomas
 Wm A. Shields " Agnes A. V. Chandler

The following presents were rec^d
 for which the Librarian was directed
 to thank the donors

Liguori - Theologia moralis 3 vols
 from Mrs T. Montgomerie

David P. Smith
 Secy
 pro tem

At a meeting of the Directors June 4 1885
Present

Meep Milling
Biddle
Buckley
Hutchinson
Craig Biddle
and
Treasurer

There being no quorum the meeting
adjourned

At a meeting of the Directors July 2 1885
Present

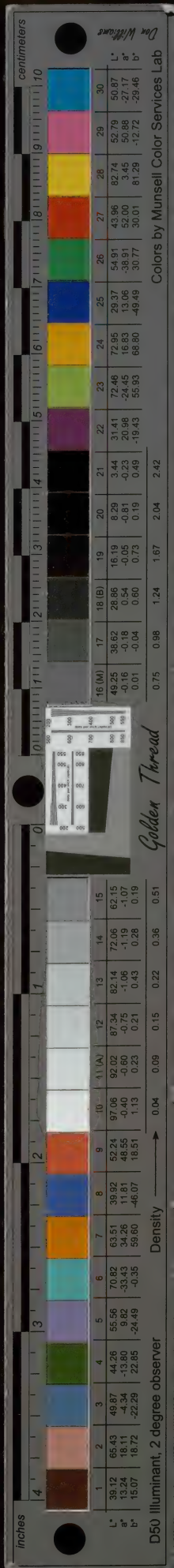
Meep Biddle
Aristold
Mister
Buckley
Hutchinson
Biddle
and
Treasurer

A communication from Prof. Isaac
D. Hall of N. York was presented,
asking for the use of a Greek
Manuscript Dictionary by Zonaras
which was granted

An application was made by a
private watchman employed by
residents in the neighborhood of the
Locust St Library requesting the
Co. to contribute to his support,
which was referred to the Exec.
Comm. with power to act.

The Treasurer reported that one
of the Bucks Co. tenants had
been in arrears since April, where-
upon the Agent J. M. L. Dulles
was authorized to commence a
suit.

The Librarian, on the recommendation



of the Executive Com. was authorized
to close the Library at 5 o'clock
during the months of July and
August

The following Orders were drawn
on the Treasurer

No 56 Lloyd P. Smith Librarian 41.66
Treasurer 16.67

Genl W. Abbot Assistant 141.67

Paul G. Gaeber " 30.-

E. McCallan " 50.-

D. C. Knoblauch " 21.67

W. S. Phillips Janitor 55.-

Sunday Service 24.-

Gardener 1 month 20.-

\$ 400.67

657 Allen Lane Nett printing 13.50

M. L. Frederick " 7.50

M. F. Mc Gann Firewood 63.-

Four Brothers horse 34.-

\$ 118.-

R. Branch 230

658 R. A. & J. J. Williams Coal 257.25

Gas bill 3 mo 57.84

\$ 306.09

R. B 230 Lloyd P. Smith Lib 158.33

W. Abbot Apt 25.-

B. Samuel " 58.34

D. McGrath Janitor 60.-

J. Coll Horseman 37.50

Gardener 4 weeks 36.-

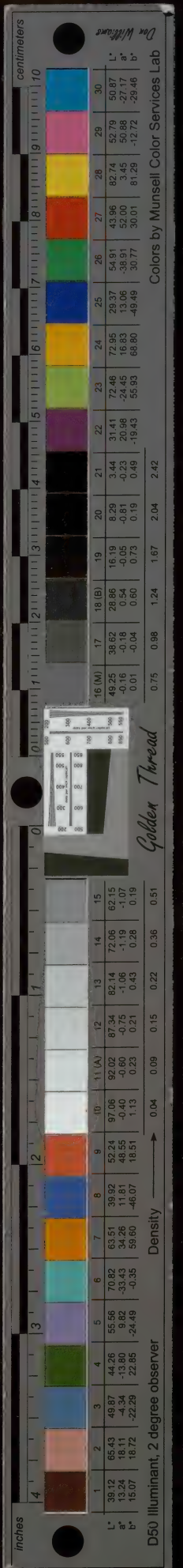
Sunday Service " 24.-

\$ 398.67

No 7 Book Com. for 429.38
 48 " " R.B. 40.75

The following presents were recd for which the Librarian was directed to thank the donors

Bryant's Philosophy of Am. languages.	Gift of Author
Kings Dictionary of Boston	Gift of J. Maynes
Life of Hon. N. L. Bradford	" " Dr. Dwight
Report of Chamber of Commerce N.Y.	" Board
Christie on Methodism	" H. C. Cavender
2 vols. Boston Pub. Doc's.	" State Librarian
New York R.R. Commissioner Repts 1883-84, 3 vols.	
Physiological Notes Randolph Dixon	" the Compiler
Charleston Year Book	" Mayor Courtney
Cincinnati Directory 1882	" Postmaster Hindekper
Journal of Councils 1884-85 2 vols	" Councils
Peerless Brick Co	" Co
Union defence Committee	" Committee
Shila City Controller report	" C. Rogers
Waterloo Medal	Isaac Meyer
24 vols U. S. Govt. Pub. Doc	" Secy of Int
Scientific American vol 2	" Hon J. Potts
Bulletin U. S. Geol Survey Territ 5 vols	" Secy of Int
Denna R. Co. Reports 1883 84 85	" Comptroller
Can. Patent Office Record	" Can Comm.
Bunchinello vol 1. 2	" Mr Stephens
Indianapolis Public Library cat	" Librarian
Coast survey publications 1st	" Supt
Ohio Mil. Ord Boyal Legion	" Col Nickerson
Smiths Bibliography of the Univ.	" L. D. Smith



At a meeting of the Directors August 6 1885

Present

Reep Biddle

Mitchinson

Witer

and

Brigley

Treasurer

The following Orders were drawn on
the Treasurer

W659	Lloyd P. Smith	Lib ^r	41.66
		Treas ^r	16.67

	G. M. Abbott		141.67
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	W. G. Gator		30.-
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	E. M. Clelland		50.-
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	D. E. Knoblauch		21.67
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	W. J. Phillips		55.-
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	Sundays		30.-
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	Sunder		20.-
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			<u>406.67</u>
.. 660	G. Naps	Lumber	32.25

	F. P. Leggett	Wire	17.02
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	Am. S. Telegraph	1 year	18.-
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			<u>67.27</u>
.. 68	Book Com.		<u>259.37</u>

R. Branch

W231	L. H. H. H. H.		158.33
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	G. M. Abbott		25.-
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	R. Samuel		58.34
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	E. M. Clough		60.-
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	James C. H.		38.75
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	Sunder		45.-
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	Sundays		74.-
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			<u>409.42</u>
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Lloyd P. Smith
Secy for Treas

At a meeting of the Directors Sept 3 1885

Present

Mess Biddle

Treasurer

Mister

There being no Quorum the meeting
adjourned

Lloyd W. Smith

Secy pro tem

At a meeting of the Directors October 1 1885

Present Messrs Wister

Rawle

Buckley

The Treasurer

Hutchinson

& The Secretary -

There being no quorum the meeting adjourned

J. H. Fisher

Secretary -

At a meeting of the Directors Nov 5
1885, Present Messrs J. S. Biddle

Platt

Wood

Lewis

Wister

C Biddle

Mitchell

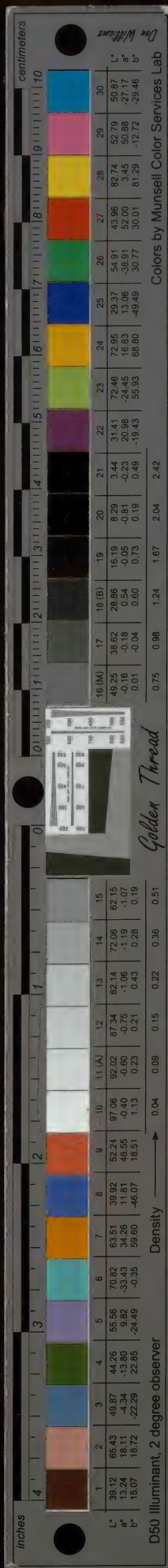
The Treasurer

Hutchinson and Buckley -

The proceedings of the July meeting
where no quorum attended were ratified

The Executive Committee having purchased
the house No. 206 Junction St for the sum of
\$3000. The purchase was approved by the Board,
and the Treasurer was authorized to apply
funds in his hands to the purchase money.

A communication from Mr Charles
Fisher was read, requesting the return of



a volume of his writings, given by him many years ago to the Company. The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr. Foster, in a courteous note, that it was impossible to comply with this request.

The Purchase of the picture unpublished part of Morgan's work on St. Mark's Church, Venice, was authorized, as was the subscription, the Economist, the Chicago dial, and the Bay State Monthly.

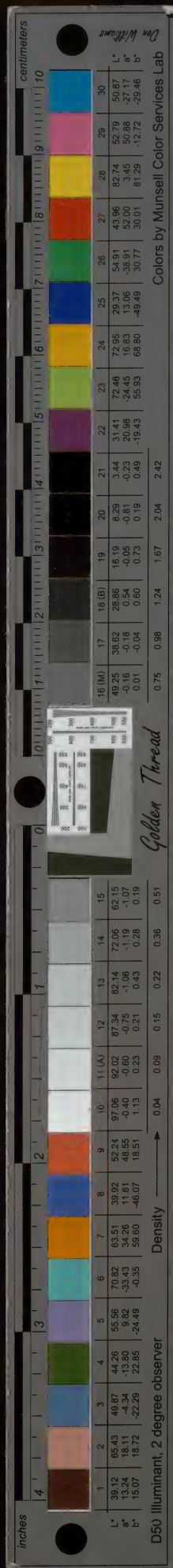
Upon the recommendation of the Committee on the Ridgway Branch, the salary of Lorin Blodgett was raised from \$3. weekly to \$20. monthly.

The Executive Committee was authorized to make such changes in the shut doors of the Lovest Street Building, as should seem best.

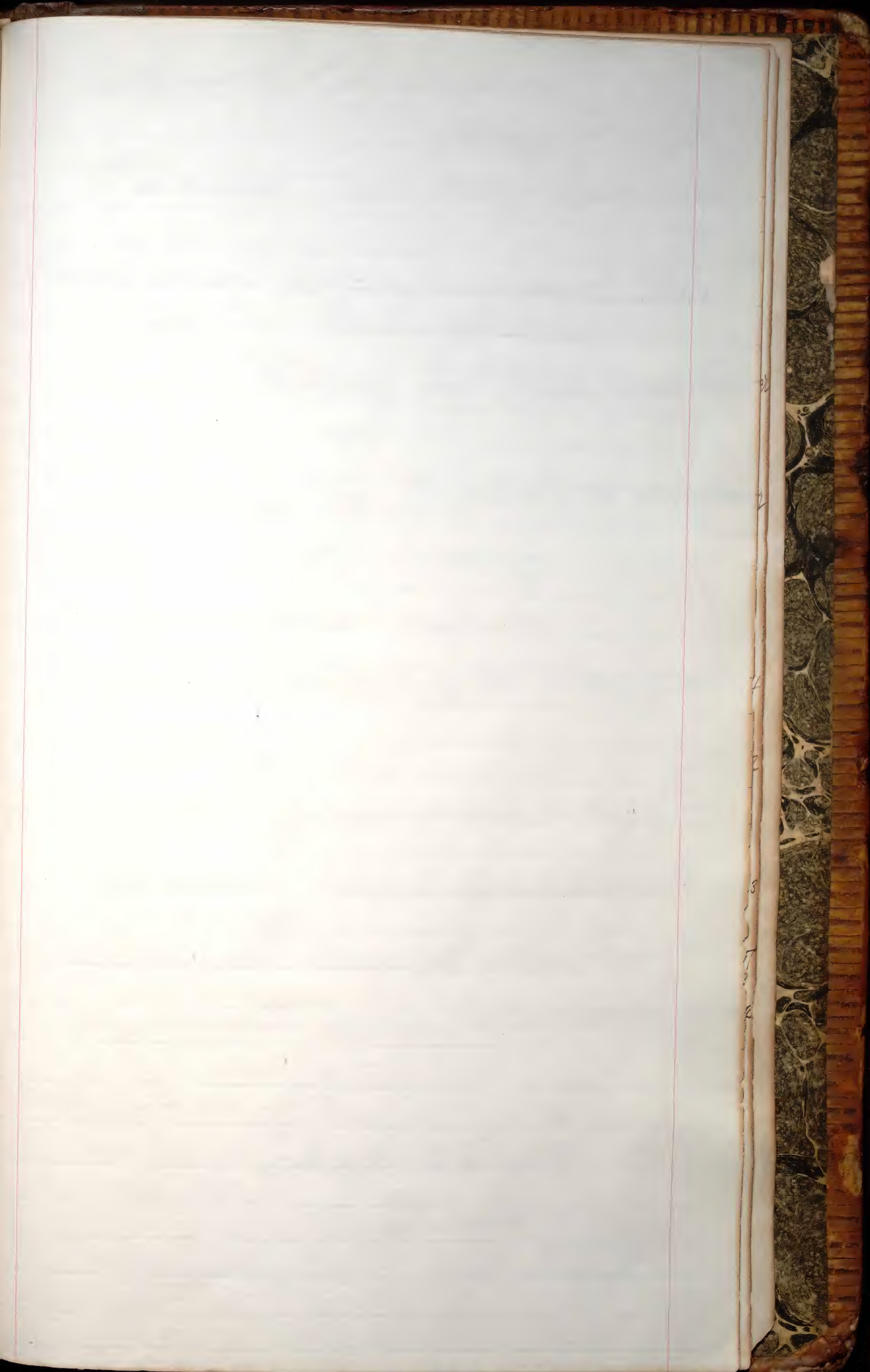
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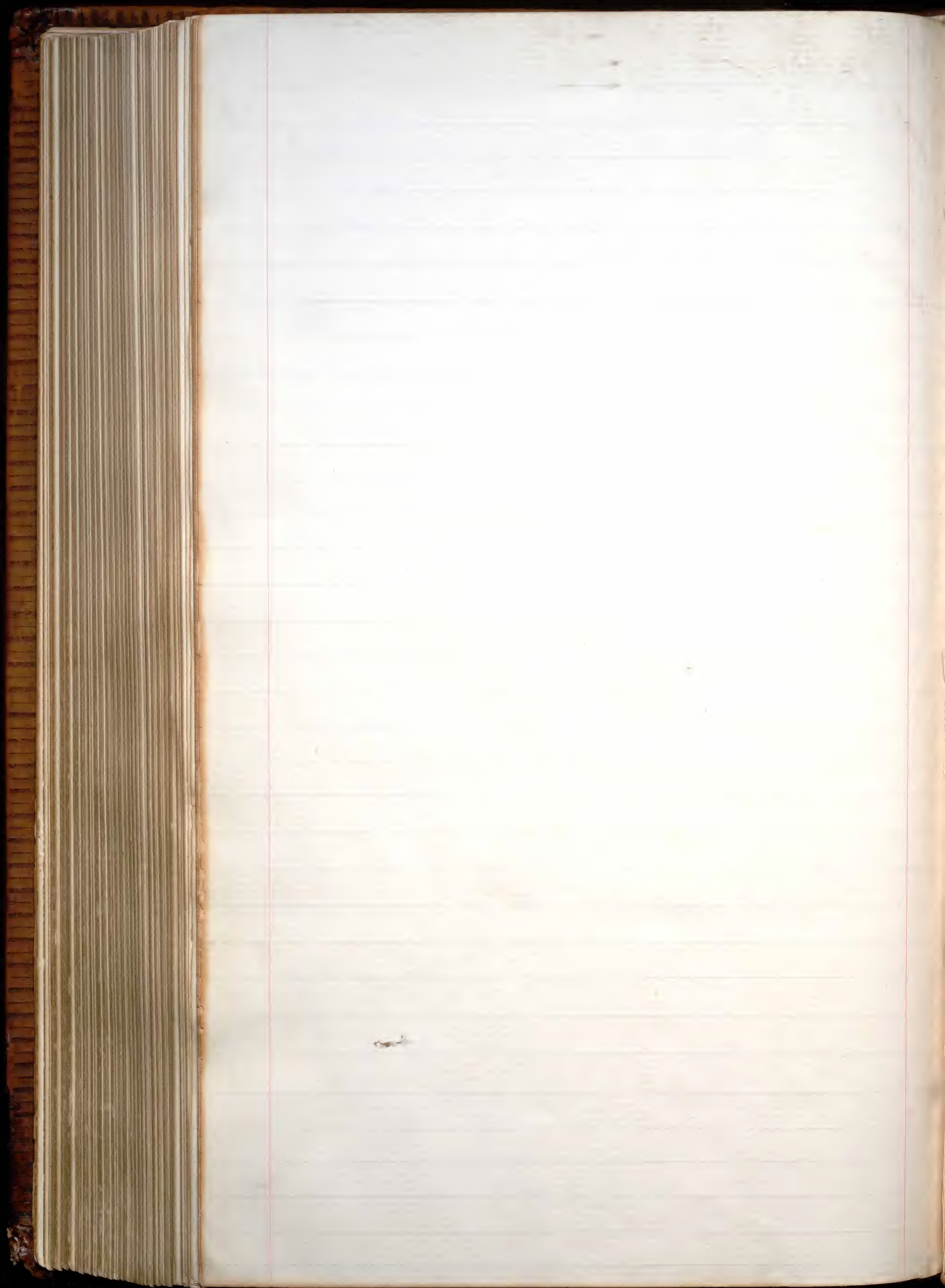
L.C.P 664	Cost of House lot jumpet St-		\$3000.
665-	L. P. Smith, Librarian	41.66	
	Treasr	16.67	
	J.M. Abbot, Agent	141.67	
	P. G. Carter "	30.	
	Miss McClellan "	50	
	W.C. Knoblauch "	21.67	
	W. G. Phillips, Janitor	55	
	H. C. Shafer, Gardener	20.	
	Sunday Service, 5 weeks @ 6	30	406.67
666.	Brogan & Smith, repairs to furnace	49.77	
	Jas Bill	26	73.77

R.B. 239	L. P. Smith, Librarian	158.33	
	J. M. Abbot, Assistant	25.	
	B. Samuel "	58.34	
	E. M. Pratt, Janitor	60	
	Jas. Cole, Watchman	38.75	
	M. Cunningham, Gardener	45.	
	Sunday Service Books @ 6	30.	415-42
237	Water Rent	13.80	
	Gas Bill	7.52	21.32
240	Bill of Exchange for £ 100.		726.
238	M. C. Ritchie, Annuitant	500.	
	A. M. Rush "	180.	
	Sarah C. Rush "	180	
	Richard H. Rush "	180	1040.



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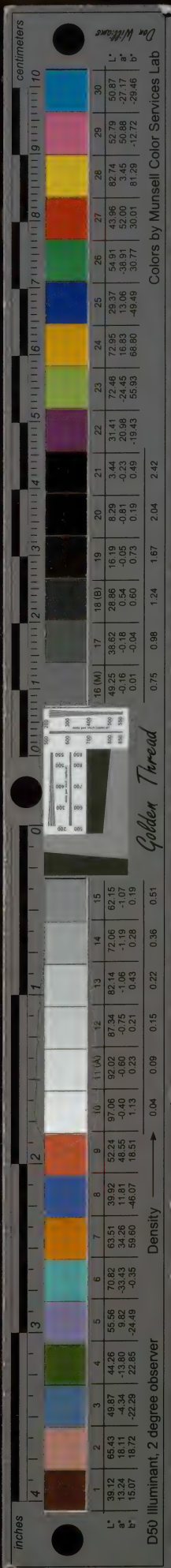
May 1st 1884.

Inquiries. Respecting Libraries

- 1 Name of Library. Library Company of Phila.
- 2 Location. Philadelphia
- 3 Librarian or Secretary. Lloyd. P. Smith Librarian & Treasurer
- 4 When founded 1731
- 5 Free or Subscription. Joint Stock Company
- 6 Class Circulating
- 7 Number of volumes 140,000.
- 8 Volumes added during last library year 4464
- 9 " issued " " " " 45,682
- 10 Amount of permanent fund \$470,000
- 11 Total yearly income from all sources \$35,199.23
- 12 Total yearly expenditure for books, periodicals, binding \$7,579.47
- 13 Yearly expenditure for salaries and incidentals \$5,087.12

Date Oct 16 1884.

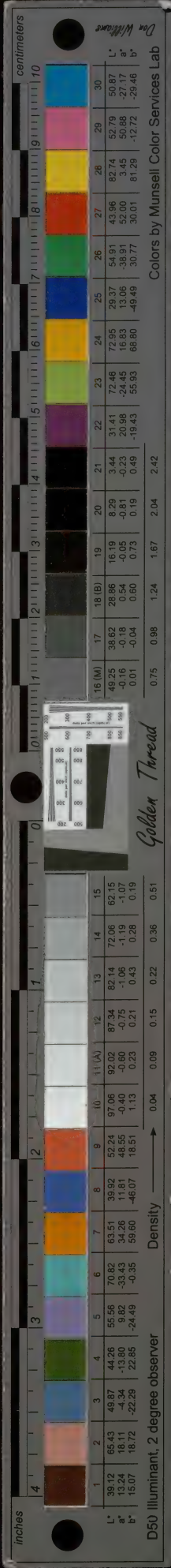
Lloyd. P. Smith
Librarian



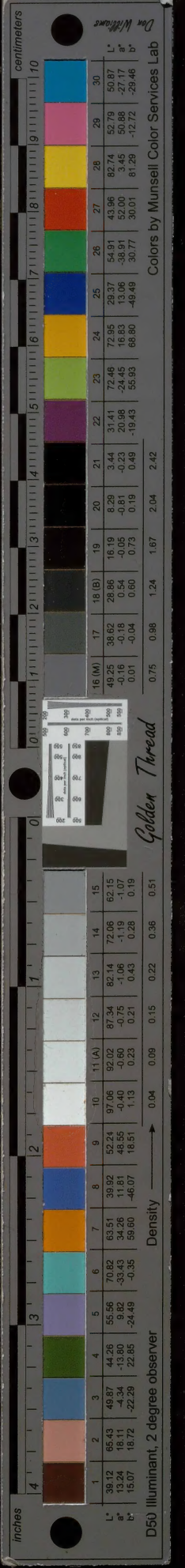


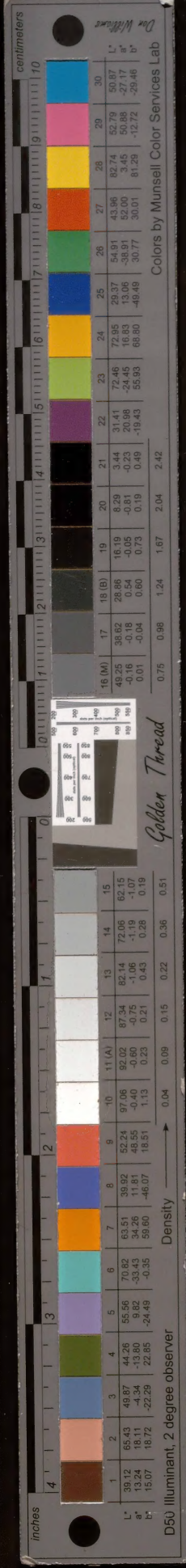
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